

CITY OF VANCOUVER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, September 24, 1974, in the Council Chamber commencing at approximately 2:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Phillips
Aldermen Bowers, Gibson, Harcourt, Hardwick,
Linnell, Marzari, Massey, Rankin
and Volrich

ABSENT: Alderman Pendakur

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL: D. H. Little

PRAYER

The proceedings in the Council Chamber were opened with prayer.

'IN CAMERA' MEETING

The City Clerk advised that the 'In Camera' Committee approved the items for consideration at the 'In Camera' meeting later this day, with the exception of the City Manager's report with respect to Architects for Public Safety Building Renovations. It was agreed that this report would be considered in open Council.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED by Ald. Linnell,
SECONDED by Ald. Gibson,

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council meeting of September 10, 1974, and the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of September 10, 1974, with the exception of the 'In Camera' portion, be adopted.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick,
SECONDED by Ald. Linnell,

THAT the Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, Mayor Phillips in the Chair.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VARIATION OF AGENDA

Council agreed to vary the agenda to complete the discussion on the Proposed Capital Expenditure Program 1976-1980, the topic of an earlier Special Meeting of Council this day.

Proposed Capital Expenditure Program
1976 - 1980 - Housing

Council passed the following motion on September 10, 1974:

"THAT consideration of the amount to be included for Housing in the Plan be deferred to the next meeting of Council for a comprehensive report back from the Standing Committee on Housing and the Director of Finance through the Standing Committee on Housing."

Council considered a report dated September 24, 1974, submitted by Alderman Harcourt, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Housing in regard to the City's land bank capacity, housing development corporation, and inclusion in the Five Year Plan of funds for housing.

Council also had before it for consideration a part report of the Standing Committee on Housing dated September 24, 1974.

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Proposed Capital Expenditure Program
1976 - 1980 - Housing (continued)

MOVED by Ald. Volrich,

THAT this matter be deferred until after the afternoon recess so that all members of Council could have the benefit of an oral report from the Director of Finance with respect to the City's land banking capabilities.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS

Park Board - Financial Services
Division - Staffing Requirements

The City Manager submitted the following report under date of September 20, 1974:

"The following report has been received from the Superintendent of Parks:

'Accounting and clerical functions have increased in volume and for a variety of reasons financial records and reports are in arrears at the present time. This situation is the result of:

- 1) Increased workload resulting from the growth of the Board's operations with the addition of new swimming pools, ice rinks and community recreation projects. Additional capital expenditures have been approved and more recreation facilities will commence operation in the next 12 months. Currently, this involves a considerable amount of staff time accounting for expenditures and controlling Capital Funds. As operations commence, the volume of payroll expenditures increases as new positions are created and filled and as revenues increase and operating expenditures arise more responsibility revolves upon the accounting staff.
- 2) Increased workload resulting from involvement in Federally and Provincially funded projects. In this instance, accounting documentation addition to regular Park Board records are required and prompt attention is essential as recovery of large expenditures, both capital and revenue, are dependent upon submission of such documents to the senior Governments.
- 3) Staff resignations and replacements which have severely hampered accounting and clerical routines; not only by the absence of the incumbents of the positions but by the added duties necessarily assumed by those remaining. Absenteeism by resignations has equalled approximately 2 positions (out of 14) throughout 1974. This has further been aggravated by vacations which coincide with the busiest season of the Park Board year.

I RECOMMEND establishment of three new positions. The duties of these positions will be as follows:

Position I:

- A) Reconciliation and maintenance of all grants from outside Governmental bodies, such as: Community Recreational Facilities Grant, Staff Hiring Incentive Grant, Special Recreation Grant, Elderly Citizens Grants, Winter Capital Project Grant, Federal, Provincial cost sharing, L.I.P. Grant, etc.
- B) Preparing detail for monthly statements.
- C) Ongoing assistance in the accounting section in functions such as account reconciliation with City, lease and rental billing and specified areas of accounts receivable.

Position II:

- A) Accounts payable duties in both general and income operations. An increased workload has resulted from expansion of Board operations such that payments to our suppliers has fallen behind by almost a month.
- B) Processing warrants, cheques, filing of invoices etc.
- C) Assist in income operators' retail check.

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MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (cont'd)

Park Board - Financial Services
Division - Staffing Requirements
(continued)

Position III

- A) Relief duties to clerical positions when vacated because of sickness, vacation or vacant position.
- B) To assist various sections during peak periods in payroll, budget preparation, etc.

Cost Estimates

Cost estimates for these new positions are as follows. (The Director of Personnel Services has not yet classified these positions and therefore, a figure indicative of the expected salary range has been used).

	<u>Oct - Dec 1974</u>	<u>Annually</u>
3 Positions	\$6300.	\$25,200.
Plus 12½% fringe benefits	<u>800.</u>	<u>3150.</u>
TOTAL SALARIES	\$7100.	\$28,350.
Cost estimates for furnishings	\$2500.	--
3 desks, 3 chairs, 3 file cabinets, 3 desk calculators, 1 typewriter		
TOTAL 1974 COST - SALARIES AND FURNISHINGS	<u>\$9600.</u>	

No further funds are required as there are sufficient funds in the 1974 Park Board Salaries account.

This report and the circumstances giving rise to it, have been reviewed by the Administrative Analyst and he concurs herein.

A copy of this report has been made available to the Business Manager, Vancouver Municipal & Regional Employees Union for his information.

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

I RECOMMEND that:

- a) 3 accounting and/or clerical positions be established in the Financial Services Division, Park Board at an estimated cost (including furnishings and equipment) of \$9600. in 1974 and \$28,350. annually for salaries .
- b) funds be provided for 1974 from the 1974 Park Board Budget.
- c) The City Manager approve the classification recommendations of the Director of Personnel Services for the 3 positions.'

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the recommendations of the Superintendent of Parks be adopted. "

MOVED by Ald. Bowers,

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager contained in the foregoing report be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (cont'd)

A. MANAGER'S GENERAL REPORT
SEPTEMBER 20, 1974

Finance Matters
(September 20, 1974)

Study Costs: Recreation Services Division
Board of Parks and Recreation by Social
Planning Department (Clause 2)

Commissioner May Brown, representing the Park Board, reported to Council on the benefit of the task force.

MOVED by Ald. Bowers,

THAT the recommendations of the Director of Social Planning and the Superintendent of the Board of Parks and Recreation contained in this Clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Report of Standing Committee
on Community Development,
September 12, 1974

Urban Renewal Funds - Strathcona,
Britannia, Gastown and Chinatown
(Clause 2)

The Council considered Clause 2 of the Standing Committee on Community Development's report dated September 12, 1974, concerning urban renewal funds for Strathcona, Britannia, Gastown and Chinatown.

Commissioner May Brown, representing the Park Board, commented on the priorities of the Park Board as it affected a proposal of an extension to the Strathcona Community Centre.

Mrs. Lee, a representative of SPOTA, addressed the Council and filed a brief dated September 24, 1974, in which it was requested that the Strathcona Rehabilitation Committee meet with respect to reviewing the Strathcona Project's budget including how uncommitted funds will be spent. The Community's priorities were listed in the organization's brief.

The Deputy Director of Planning also addressed the Council and gave further details of the subject matter.

MOVED by Ald. Volrich,

THAT Council approve a total cost of up to \$250,000 for an addition to the Strathcona Community Centre on the understanding it is funded from urban renewal funds as outlined in the Council resolution of August 13, 1974, subject to approval of the School Board being obtained with respect to the land required for the extension.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council continued its discussion with respect to the balance of funds available in the Strathcona Urban Renewal Program taking into consideration the recommendations of the Community Development Committee.

MOVED by Ald. Marzari,

THAT this whole matter of the balance of funds allocated for the Strathcona Urban Renewal Program be referred to the Strathcona Rehabilitation Committee for report back to Council as soon as possible, having in mind the discussions held this day with respect to the remaining priorities of the community and the estimated costs, including information on funds available and committed, and any other relevant information which will assist the Council in its deliberations.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council agreed to defer consideration of the following items pending the hearing of delegations this evening:

1. Demolition of Buildings, 601 - 619, 623 - 627
Howe Street and 832, 840 Dunsmuir Street
2. Vancouver Society for Early Music
Grant Request - Appeal.
3. Aldermanic Indemnities

Council on September 10, 1974, when considering a report of the Standing Committee on Finance and Administration regarding Aldermanic Indemnities, noted a memorandum from the Chairman of the Committee proposing an amendment to the Committee's recommendation. The Council deferred consideration of the matter until this meeting of Council.

After due consideration, it was

MOVED by Ald. Linnell,

THAT the recommendation of the Committee as follows, be approved:

"THAT Council recommend to the 1975 Council that consideration be given to increasing Aldermanic salaries to one-half the Mayor's salary (i.e. \$13,200.00), and the Deputy Mayor's salary be increased an additional one-quarter of the Mayor's salary (i.e. \$19,800.00), effective January 1, 1975."

(amended)

MOVED by Ald. Bowers in amendment, that the motion by Alderman Linnell be amended to read as follows,

THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring in a By-law, at the first regular Council meeting in 1975, increasing Aldermen's indemnities to one-half the Mayor's indemnity and increasing the Deputy Mayor's indemnity to an additional one-quarter of the Mayor's indemnity.

- CARRIED

(Aldermen Hardwick, Linnell, Rankin and Volrich opposed)

The amendment having carried, the motion as amended and reading as follows was put and CARRIED:

"THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring in a By-law, at the first regular Council meeting in 1975, increasing Aldermen's indemnities to one-half the Mayor's indemnity and increasing the Deputy Mayor's indemnity to an additional one-quarter of the Mayor's indemnity"

(Alderman Rankin opposed)

(At current rates, this would give Aldermen \$1,100 per month, and the Deputy Mayor an additional \$550 per month in addition to his Aldermanic indemnity)

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The Council recessed at approximately 4:00 p.m. to reconvene 'In Camera' in the Mayor's Office.

Council reconvened in open session in the Council Chamber at approximately 5:00 p.m.

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VARIATION OF AGENDA

The Council agenda was again varied to consider the following report.

MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (cont'd)

Report of Vehicles for
Hire Board, September 11, 1974

Council considered the following report of the Vehicles for Hire Board dated September 11, 1974, concerning a survey of fare increases of the Vancouver Taxi Industry:

"Council on August 27, 1974, when dealing with a report from the City Manager on the above noted matter passed the following resolution:

'THAT the report of The Thorne Group Ltd. be received and referred to the Vehicles for Hire Board.'

Submitted for the Board's consideration was a report from The Thorne Group Ltd., Management Consultants, dated July, 1974. Mr. D. G. Usher of The Thorne Group Ltd. reviewed this report with the Board, touching on such high-lights as analysis of revenue, anticipated cost increases, return on owner investment, driver remuneration, and comparison of taxi fares with other municipalities. (This report is on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

Mr. Dawson, of the Vancouver Taxi Cab Owners Association, advised that his organization was satisfied with the recommendations outlined in the above noted report, with the exception of the Flag Rate, which he requested be eighty-five cents.

Also submitted for the Board's consideration was a brief from the Greater Vancouver Taxi Driver Employees Association dated September 11, 1974, requesting a meeting with the Traffic Safety Council to make proposals which could help ease the general flow of traffic, and consequently improve the taxi service in this City. (This report is on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

RECOMMENDED,

THAT Council approve the taxi fare increases as outlined in the Survey Report of the Vancouver Taxi Industry submitted by The Thorne Group Ltd., Management Consultants, being:

Flag Rate	\$.65
Initial Mileage10 (1/6 mile)
Total Flag & Initial Mileage .	.75 (1/6 mile)
Rate Per Mile60
Waiting Time	8.00 (per hour)

The Board was advised that The Thorne Group Ltd., Management Consultants, would be submitting a further report on the issuance of additional taxi licenses and price to be charged for these licenses, to this Board, in October of this year. "

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,

THAT the recommendation of the Vehicles for Hire Board contained in the foregoing report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMUNICATIONS OR PETITIONS

1. Community Recreational
Facilities Fund

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick,

THAT the letter from the Minister of Recreation and Conservation dated August 19, 1974, advising that the City's application for a grant of \$8,950.00 had been approved for a fishing platform and public area project on the north bank of the Fraser River, be received, and the Council express its appreciation to the Minister.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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COMMUNICATIONS OR PETITIONS (cont'd)

2. Locarno Beach -
Sale of Property

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

THAT the request of the Vancouver Council of Women to appear before Council as a delegation regarding the sale of property at Locarno Beach, be granted and arrangements be left with the City Clerk.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Civic Chaplain - October,
November, December, 1974

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick,

THAT the recommendation of the Mayor that Reverend Kenneth Wotherspoon of Canadian Memorial United Church be appointed as Civic Chaplain for the months of October, November and December, 1974, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Finances for Residential
Development

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

THAT the letter from the City of Lethbridge, Alberta, requesting Council's support regarding the lack of available finances for housing development, be received.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Illegal Suites Policy

The Council noted a memorandum from Alderman Volrich dated September 10, 1974, with respect to a policy to be followed regarding illegal suites.

MOVED by Ald. Bowers,

THAT the communication from Alderman Volrich regarding illegal suites policy be referred to the Standing Committee on Community Development for consideration and report.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Interim Wage Increase

Council noted a letter dated September 11, 1974, from the Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 1004 (Vancouver Civic Employees Union), requesting an interim wage increase of \$50.00 effective September 1, 1974, for all employees of the City for which Local 1004 is the bargaining agent. It was stated that the Union's negotiators would be pleased to meet the City's bargaining representative at the earliest possible date.

MOVED by Ald. Bowers,

THAT the letter be referred to the G.V.R.D. Labour Relations Department for response.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Vancouver Birth Centre

A letter dated September 20, 1974, was noted from Bonnie Nilsen, advising that a group was forming a society and wishing to call it the Vancouver Birth Centre. Permission was therefore sought of Council to use the name 'Vancouver'.

MOVED by Ald. Linnell,

THAT no action be taken to approve the organization's request to use the name 'Vancouver'.

- CARRIED

(Alderman Marzari opposed)

VARIATION OF AGENDA

The Council varied the agenda to continue its consideration of the Proposed Capital Expenditure Program 1976 - 1980.

(a) Housing
(continued)

The Director of Finance explained, by means of a chart, various sources of funds and land assembly.

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

THAT an amount of \$5,000,000 be included for Housing in the Proposed Five Year Plan.

- LOST

(Aldermen Bowers, Hardwick, Linnell, Massey, Volrich and Mayor opposed)

MOVED by Ald. Linnell,

THAT an amount of \$4,200,000 be included for Housing in the Proposed Five Year Plan.

- LOST

(Aldermen Bowers, Hardwick, Massey, Volrich and Mayor opposed)

A tie vote ensued and therefore the motion of Alderman Linnell was declared LOST.

MOVED by Ald. Volrich,

THAT an amount of \$3,000,000 be included for Housing in the Proposed Five Year Plan.

- CARRIED

(Alderman Bowers opposed)

(b) Civic Buildings

City Council at its meeting on September 10, 1974, when considering an amount of \$635,000 for the Vancouver City Pound replacement as an inclusion in the Proposed Five Year Plan, deferred the matter to this meeting.

After due consideration, it was

MOVED by Ald. Gibson,

THAT City Council do not appropriate into the 1976 - 1980 Five Year Plan an amount of \$635,000 for the replacement of the City Pound, but the Pound replacement be considered as part of the 1975 Supplementary Capital Budget, and the City Manager report, as soon as possible, to Council on the early construction of a new Pound in 1975.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Ald. Bowers,

THAT the Plan, as approved by Council on September 10th and September 24th, 1974, be submitted to the electors on November 20th, 1974, in accordance with Section 245 of the Vancouver Charter, and

FURTHER THAT the appropriate officials draft and submit for Council approval, the required ballot.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (cont'd)

MANAGER'S GENERAL REPORT
SEPTEMBER 20, 1974 (cont'd)

Works & Utility Matters
(September 20, 1974)

The Council considered this report which contains six clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Tender No. 29-74-13 for the Supply of Mercury Vapour Street Lighting Luminaires
- Cl. 2: General Classification of Automobiles for Civic Use
- Cl. 3: Water Main Installation - 1975 Capital Budget
- Cl. 4: Local Improvements by 'Petition'
- Cl. 5: Local Initiatives Program - 1974-1975
- Cl. 6: 1000 Block Barclay Street - Tree Relocation for Crossing to Y.M.C.A. Addition

The Council took action as follows:

Clauses 1 - 3

MOVED by Ald. Linnell,
THAT the recommendations of the City Manager contained in Clauses 1 to 3 inclusive, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Local Improvements by 'Petition'
(Clause 4)

MOVED by Ald. Linnell,
THAT the recommendation of the City Manager contained in Clause 4 be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

Local Initiatives Program -
1974-1975 (Clause 5)

MOVED by Ald. Bowers,
THAT the Standing Committee on Finance and Administration be authorized to make application for projects, on the City's behalf, subject to formal confirmation by Council, and at this time, the City's share of revenue budget funds be limited up to \$150,000.00.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1000 Block Barclay Street - Tree
Relocation for Crossing to Y.M.C.A.
Addition (Clause 6)

MOVED by Ald. Linnell,
THAT the tree in the area of the proposed crossing be relocated by the Park Board at the expense of the developer.

- CARRIED

(Alderman Bowers opposed)

Social Services & Health
Matters (September 20, 1974)

Group Trailer Parking
(Clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Bowers,
THAT the recommendation of the City Manager contained in this Clause be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (cont'd)

Building & Planning Matters
(September 20, 1974)

The Council considered this report which contains two clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Development Permit Notification -
Kitsilano Area
- Cl. 2: Waterfront Planning Study - Ongoing
Consultation with Project Manager

The Council took action as follows:

Clauses 1 and 2

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

THAT the recommendations of the City Manager contained in Clauses 1 and 2 be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Aldermen Hardwick, Linnell and Volrich opposed Clause 1)

Finance Matters
(September 20, 1974) (cont'd)

The Council considered this report which contains five clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Twice Annual Tax Billing: Policy and Required
By-laws
- Cl. 2: Study Costs: Recreation Services Division Board
of Parks and Recreation by Social Planning
Department
- Cl. 3: Social Planning Department Artists Gallery
- Cl. 4: Worker's Compensation Board Requirements for
Fire Department
- Cl. 5: Twice Annual Tax Billing: Mailing of 1975
Tax Bills

The Council took action as follows:

Clauses 1 and 3

MOVED by Ald. Bowers,

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager contained in Clause 1 be approved and Clause 3 be received for information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Study Costs: Recreation Services Division
Board of Parks and Recreation by Social
Planning Department (Clause 2)

For Council action on this Clause, see page 4.

Worker's Compensation Board
Requirements for Fire Department
(Clause 4)

MOVED by Ald. Gibson,

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager contained in this Clause be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Twice Annual Tax Billing:
Mailing of 1975 Advance Tax
Bills (Clause 5)

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager contained in this Clause be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council reconvened at approximately 7.30 p.m., in the Council Chamber with Deputy Mayor Massey in the Chair and the following members present:

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Massey.
Aldermen Bowers, Gibson, Harcourt,
Hardwick, Linnell, Marzari,
Rankin and Volrich.

ABSENT: Mayor Phillips (Civic Business)
Alderman Pendakur.

DELEGATIONS AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Vancouver Tenants Council.

Council, on July 30, 1974, agreed to hear a delegation from the Vancouver Tenants Council with regard to the City passing a By-law to establish a Municipal Rent Review Bureau. Mr. B. Yorke, Secretary of the Vancouver Tenants Council, addressed the Council and filed a brief requesting that the City Council urge the Provincial Government to retain the Interim Rental Stabilization Act and also request that Section 29(b) of the new Landlord and Tenant Act be amended to give Municipal Councils authority to establish Municipal Rent Review Bureaux. The brief, however, is not in favour of Municipal Councils having the power to set rent levels.

Council noted that, at its meeting of July 9, 1974, when considering a memo from the Mayor recommending that the City drop its application under Section 29(1)(b) of the Act for permission to establish a Municipal Rent Review Bureau and discontinue the operations of our Bureau as soon as the Rentalsman is operating in the City of Vancouver, deferred until October of this year the following motion:

"That Council discontinue the operations of its Rental Accommodation Grievance Board as soon as the Rentalsman is operating in the City of Vancouver".

The following Notices of Motion were submitted by Alderman Rankin, and so recognized by the Chair:

1. That Vancouver City Council urge the Provincial Government to retain the Interim Rental Stabilization Act until such time as existing rent levels have been thoroughly investigated and justified, and that no rent increases be permitted until this study has been completed.
2. That Council request the Provincial Government to amend Section 29(b) of the new Landlord and Tenant Act to permit the Council of a Municipality to pass a by-law establishing the Municipal Rent Review Bureau with all the powers which shall be vested in the Rentalsman under this Act.

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt

THAT the representations from the delegation be received and that further consideration of this matter, and of the above Notices of Motion, be deferred until such time as Council is again considering the Mayor's memo of July 4, 1974 and the deferred motion of July 9, 1974.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Cont'd)

Demolition of Buildings,
601-619, 623-627 Howe Street, and
832, 840, Dunsmuir Street.

Council, on August 27, 1974, deferred consideration of the matter contained in the following report of the City Building Inspector dated August 23, 1974, pending the hearing of a delegation by the Hon. T.A. Dohm, Q.C., on behalf of the affected merchants and tenants:

"Mr. Thomas A. Dohm, Q.C. requests permission to appear before Council on behalf of certain tenants of the buildings addressed as 601-619, 623-627 Howe Street, and 832 and 840 Dunsmuir Street. These tenants have been advised by agents acting for the lessor of the building that they want vacant possession by October 31st, 1974. Mr. Dohm wants to know what is the status of the matter and wishes to make a presentation before Council on behalf of the tenants.

Permits have been issued for the subject site as follows:

Development Permit #60823 for 14 storey office tower -
- issued July 25th, 1973

Development Permit #60823 extended by Director of Planning
until October 25th, 1974

Building Permit #B69857 to demolish existing buildings -
- issued June 7th, 1974.

No application to this date has been received for a Building Permit for the office building.

I am not aware of any power which the City has to stop the developer from proceeding with demolition of the buildings.

This report is submitted for the INFORMATION of Council."

Mr. Dohm addressed the Council and requested that Council not approve any building permits for the proposed development on this site until such time as Block 42, which is immediately across the street from the affected premises, is completed. He stated that his clients have suffered loss of income due to the construction of Block 42 because of disruption to traffic patterns, etc.

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

THAT the developer and/or other such principals, be requested to appear before Council at its next meeting to supply further information with respect to this project, and that Mr. Dohm be invited to appear at the same time.

FURTHER THAT Council instruct the appropriate civic officials to report to Council within a reasonable time how Council can control the situation which now permits demolition of buildings without specific development of the property within a reasonable period thereafter.

- (amended)

MOVED by Ald. Volrich (in amendment)

THAT the following be added to the motion of Alderman Rankin -

'AND FURTHER THAT in the interim, Council request the Mayor to meet with the principals concerned to discuss the matter of obtaining some relief for the affected merchants and tenants, for report back to Council.

- CARRIED

(Aldermen Gibson, Marzari and Rankin opposed)

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DELEGATIONS AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Cont'd)

Demolition of Buildings,
601-619, 623-627 Howe Street, and
832,840 Dunsmuir Street. (Cont'd)

The amendment having carried, the motion of Alderman Rankin, as amended and reading as follows, was put and - CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

"THAT the developer and/or other such principals, be requested to appear before Council at its next meeting to supply further information with respect to this project, and that Mr. Dohm be invited to appear at the same time,
FURTHER THAT Council instruct the appropriate civic officials to report to Council within a reasonable time how Council can control the situation which now permits demolition of buildings without specific development of the property within a reasonable period thereafter,
AND FURTHER THAT, in the interim, Council request the Mayor to meet with the principals concerned to discuss the matter of obtaining some relief for the affected merchants and tenants, for report back to Council."

Vancouver Society for Early
Music - Grant Request.

Vancouver City Council on August 27, 1974, when considering a request from the Early Music Society for an additional grant of \$2,000 towards rental of suitable premises for rehearsals, etc, passed the following motion:

"That no action be taken on this grant request at this time and the organization be advised that Council is inclined to defer the request to next year when Annual Grants are again considered. However, if it so wishes the organization has the right to appeal this decision"

Mr. David Skulski, President of the Society, filed a brief and addressed the Council on this matter. He stated that it is critical that the Society obtain an appropriate facility to centralize their operations at this time. An opportunity exists for the Society to rent the former Lutheran Church presently occupied by the Salvation Army at 2715 West 12th Avenue, at a rental of \$200, plus \$60 per month for utilities.

MOVED by Ald. Linnell

THAT Council approve an additional grant of \$2,000 to the Vancouver Early Music Society, providing it is established that the owner pays full taxes on these premises.

- (amended)

MOVED by Ald. Gibson (in amendment)

THAT all wording after the word 'Society' be deleted from the motion of Alderman Linnell.

- CARRIED

(Alderman Linnell opposed)

The amendment having carried, the motion of Alderman Linnell, as amended, and reading as follows was put and - CARRIED BY THE
REQUIRED MAJORITY.

THAT Council approve an additional Grant of
\$2,000 to the Vancouver Early Music Society.

(Alderman Linnell opposed)

MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTSVARIATION OF AGENDA.

Council agreed to again vary the Agenda to consider Clause 4 of the report of the Standing Committee on Social Services, dated September 12, 1974.

VI. Report of Standing Committee
on Social Services
(September 12, 1974)

Family Place - Grant Request,
\$3,934 per month (Clause 4)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

THAT Council approve a grant of \$3,934 per month to the Family Place for the months of November and December 1974, subject to the organization obtaining cost-sharing under the Canadian Assistance Plan;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Social Planning submit an evaluation report on this organization, covering their activities to date, to Council through the Standing Committee on Social Services, and that this report be also made available to the Dunbar-West Point Grey Community Resource Board.

- CARRIED BY THE REQUIRED
MAJORITY.

(Alderman Hardwick opposed)

III. Report of Standing Committee
on Civic Development,
September 5, 1974.

The Council considered this report of the Committee which contains two clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Downtown Vancouver Study
- Cl. 2: Heritage Designation - List of Buildings

The Council took action as follows:

Downtown Vancouver Study
(Clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT the recommendations of the Committee, contained in this Clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Heritage Designation -
List of Buildings (Clause 2)

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT the recommendation of the Committee contained in this clause, and reading as follows, be approved:

'THAT the list of 24 buildings be referred to a Public Meeting prior to Council designating them as heritage structures.'

FURTHER THAT the Heritage Advisory Board indicate at the Public Meeting whether facades only, or whether interiors, certain floors, etc., would be included in the heritage designation.

- (amended)

Cont'd.....

MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (Cont'd)Heritage Designation -
List of Buildings (Clause 2) Cont'd

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt (in amendment)

THAT Firehall No. 2., 270 East Cordova, be deleted from the list of 24 buildings to be referred to a Public Meeting.

- CARRIED

(Alderman Hardwick and Marzari opposed)

The amendment having carried, the motion of Alderman Hardwick, as amended, and reading as follows was put and - CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

'THAT the list of 24 buildings, with the exception of Firehall No. 2., 270 East Cordova, be referred to a public meeting prior to Council designating them as heritage structures;

AND FURTHER THAT the Heritage Advisory Board indicate at the Public Meeting whether facades only, or whether interiors, certain floors, etc., would be included in the heritage designation.'

XI. Report of Standing Committee on
Waterfront and Environment
September 19, 1974.

Amendments to Draft Sign By-law (Clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt

THAT the recommendation of the Committee, contained in this report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VARIATION OF AGENDA

At this point in the meeting, Council varied the Agenda to again consider the matter of:

Proposed Capital Expenditure Program,
1976 - 1980

MOVED by Ald. Bowers,

THAT WHEREAS Council has approved items in the five-year plan to be submitted to the electors totalling \$75,580,000

AND WHEREAS it was the recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee that there should be a contribution towards this out of current revenues amounting to \$10,000,000

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the plebiscite to the electors be drawn up with items totalling \$65,580,000

and that this be done by reducing the amount allocated for "Streets" from \$23,496,000 to \$13,496,000 on the clear understanding that the total sum allocated in the five-year period for streets is unchanged, and that the additional \$10,000,000 will be provided out of current revenues;

FURTHER THAT the previous actions of Council be varied accordingly.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (Cont'd)

Personnel Matters
(September 20, 1974)

The Council considered this report which contains three clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Personnel Regulation No. 95 - Gratuity Plan
- Cl. 2: Conference - Canadian Rehabilitation Council
for the Disabled; Attendance: One Health
Department Member
- Cl. 3: Proposed New Position of Claims Supervisor

The Council took action as follows:

Clauses 1, 2 & 3.

MOVED by Ald. Bowers,

THAT the recommendations of the City Manager, contained in these Clauses, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Property Matters
(September 20, 1974)

The Council considered this report which contains five clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Lease Renewal - S/E Corner 41st & Granville Street
- Cl. 2: Acquisition for Park Site #7 - 1140 Comox Street
- Cl. 3: Acquisition for Replotting and Future Boundary
Road Widening - 4561 Boundary Road
- Cl. 4: Assignment of Lease - S/W Corner Main Street and
Kent Avenue South
- Cl. 5: Parking Rate Increase for City-owned Parking
Site - E/S Richards Street between Robson and
Georgia Streets.

The Council took action as follows:

Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5.

MOVED by Ald. Bowers,

THAT the recommendations of the City Manager, contained in Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. DEPARTMENTAL GENERAL
REPORT, September 20, 1974.

Building & Planning Matters
(September 20, 1974)

Point Grey Road Property
Acquisition Program (clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Volrich

THAT the recommendation of the Director of Planning, contained in this clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MANAGER'S , DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (Cont'd)

Licenses & Claims Matters
(September 20, 1974)

Re P.C. #540 Blythe, T.E.,
Legal Expenses (Clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick,

THAT Council, under the terms of Section 472 of the Vancouver Charter, approve the payment of the account of Mulligan, Hogan & Co., in the amount of \$350, for professional services rendered by Mr. J.W. Hogan in connection with the defence of P.C. 540 Blythe, T.E., on a charge of Common Assault,

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fire & Traffic Matters
(September 20, 1974)

The Council considered this report which contains two clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Traffic Signal Modifications: Hastings
and Cassiar Streets
- Cl. 2: Traffic Arrangements During Construction
of the Provincial Government Complex
(Blocks 51, 61 and 71)

The Council took action as follows:

Clause 1.

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT the recommendation of the City Engineer, contained in this clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Traffic Arrangements' during Construction
of the Provincial Government Complex
(Blocks 51, 61 and 71. (Clause 2))

MOVED by Ald. Linnell

THAT consideration of this clause be deferred to an early meeting of Council for report reference from the City Engineer to include a report on the powers of the City Engineer to stage construction programs in such a manner as to avoid simultaneous street closures.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Manager's Report,

Urban Demonstration Proposal - Project
- "New Space in Existing Areas"

The Council considered the following report from the City Manager, with respect to the Urban Demonstration Proposal re New Space in Existing Areas:

Council, on June 25, when considering the report from the Special Committee for the U.N. Conference, asked the Committee to further investigate several proposals.

Among the 'Category 2' items was a proposal for the 'Installation of Secondary Suites'. The proposal is designed to produce additional rental housing in the City by providing financial assistance for people who want to install secondary suites in their homes. The Office of the City Manager agreed to assist in working up a proposal for submission to the Committee and then to Council.

A draft submission has now been prepared and was approved by the Special Committee for the 1976 United Nations Conference, August 19. The following points outline the key features:

Objective

- the proposal is aimed at encouraging a better use of presently occupied residential land.

MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (Cont'd)Urban Demonstration Proposal - Project
- "New Space in Existing Areas" (Cont'd)Approach

- the program will provide the opportunity and the incentive for homeowners who wish to convert their single family dwellings to duplexes or for the installation of secondary suites.

The program will not only apply to areas already zoned for multiple family dwellings but will also provide an approach whereby homeowners in a single family neighbourhood may petition for rezoning to permit duplexing or inclusion of secondary suites.

The proposal will complement the Provincial Government 'conversion program' in that it will provide a potential increase in the numbers of those eligible. The proposal will also complement several Federal Government programs such as N.I.P. and R.R.A.P.

Advantages

1. Such a program would provide an excellent alternative to the current choice of either high-rise or suburbia.
 - it would help preserve the basic visual character of a neighbourhood;
 - it could provide owner-incentive to upgrade deteriorating properties.
2. Such a program could assist in controlling urban sprawl and would relieve some of the pressure from suburban communities.
3. A program of this nature would take advantage of existing services such as:
 - water
 - sewer
 - transit
 - schools
 - commercial facilities and
 - parks
4. This program would:
 - increase the rental stock
 - provide a source of revenue to low and moderate income homeowners
 - not require 'new' land
 - provide accommodation closer to the central business district.

Timetable

In order to create public awareness of this program, meetings would be held in the communities following approval by the Federal Government. As well, advertisements would be placed in newspapers and an information brochure would be available to interested homeowners.

The program would start in January, 1975. Applications would be considered from any area of the City. Areas where secondary suites or duplexes are now permitted would be immediately eligible. Residents of neighbourhoods zoned for 'single family' dwellings would first have to petition Council for relaxation of the Zoning By-law. This procedure would be similar to present rezoning procedures. In order to be considered by Council, a majority of the property owners involved would have to be in favour of the proposal. The City would hold a public hearing and subject to favourable outcome the rezoning would be granted.

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MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (Cont'd)Urban Demonstration Proposal - Project
- "New Space in Existing Areas" (Cont'd)Budget

The estimated costs of this proposal over twelve months of operation are as follows:

	<u>City of Vancouver Contribution</u>	<u>Federal Funding</u>
Administration	\$20,400	\$91,000
<u>Recoverable capital costs</u>		\$5,000,000

Summary

Vancouver has approximately 70,000 single family homes. If only 10% expressed an interest, accommodation could be provided for 7,000 families or senior citizens. This would be equivalent to injecting approximately fifty million dollars into the local housing stock. This would contribute very significantly towards relaxing the present rental accommodation shortage which exists. As well, this program would go a long way in educating the public towards a more responsible attitude of 'resource management'.

Copy of full report is available at the City Clerk's Office.

Recommendation

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that Council approve immediate submission of the proposal 'New Space in Existing Areas' to the Minister of State for Urban Affairs under the Canadian Urban Demonstration Program.

MOVED by Ald. Volrich

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager, contained in this report be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

E. Manager's Report
dated September 23, 1974.Architects for Public Safety
Building Renovations.

The City Manager submitted the following report under date of September 23, 1974:

In April, 1971, Harrison, Plavsic, Kiss Associated Architects were appointed as architects for alterations to the Public Safety Building. Their proposal was submitted to Council in 1972. In 1973, Council instructed that a Program Consultant be appointed by the Board of Administration to work in close consultation with Harrison & Associates to advise on space requirements for the Police Department. In July of this year Council authorized complete renovations to the Public Safety Building.

Also in July of this year, Council instructed me to report in consultation with Graham Brawn & Associates Ltd. and departments concerned on the matter of parking facilities for the Public Safety Building. Staff meetings have been held in this regard and the current delay is caused by the inability to obtain a response from the Provincial Government with respect to the parking facilities for Police purposes currently being reserved at the Provincial Courts site. This delay need not prevent the appointment of architects and location of a site for this facility and further staff meetings will be held with respect to the site and size of the facility.

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MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (Cont'd)

Architects for Public Safety
Building Renovations. (Cont'd)

The Police Department have requested that adequate provision be made for gymnasium facilities; such facilities could be provided in a number of ways:-

1. Add an additional storey to the existing building (this would require cost studies and relaxation of the Zoning By-law by the Board of Variance.)
2. Incorporate the gymnasium in the new garage facility.
3. Locate the gymnasium on some other site in close proximity to the Public Safety Building.

I recommend,

THAT Harrison, Plavsic, Kiss Associated Architects be reaffirmed as the architects for the renovations to the Public Safety Building, authorized by Council on July 30, 1974.

THAT, in carrying out the instruction of Council regarding parking facilities, I be authorized to employ Harrison, Plavsic, Kiss Associated Architects to the degree necessary to establish estimates for parking facilities and gymnasium facilities for the Police Department. The appointment of architects to prepare working drawings and specifications and call for tenders would be the subject of a further report to City Council.

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

THAT the recommendation of the City Manager, contained in this report, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

I. Report of Standing Committee
on Waterfront & Environment,
September 5, 1974

The Council considered this report of the Committee which contains two clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Progress Report - North Arm of the Fraser River
- Cl. 2: Columbia Containers

The Council took action as follows:

Progress Report - North Arm of the
Fraser River (Clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Linnell

THAT the recommendations of the Committee, contained in this clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Columbia Containers (Clause 2)

MOVED by Ald. Linnell,

THAT the recommendations of the Committee, contained in this clause, be approved, after adding as recommendation "c"

- (c) THAT the Director of Planning notify by Registered Letter, the two community groups that appeared before Council that the Urban Design Panel has advised that the colour of the Columbia Container facility should be light grey and the Director of Permits & Licenses will be enforcing the condition of the Development Permit Application requiring the facility to be painted.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (Cont'd)

II. Report of Standing Committee
on Social Services,
September 5, 1974

The Council considered this report of the Committee which contains four clauses identified as follows:

- Cl. 1: Vancouver Women's Health Collective -
Zoning Problem
- Cl. 2: Royal Rooms - 237 Main Street - Lease Increase
- Cl. 3: Vancouver Indian Centre Society
- Cl. 4: Residents of 400 Block East 15th Avenue -
Eviction Notice

The Council took action as follows:

Clauses 1, 2 and 3.

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

THAT Clauses 1 and 3 be received for information, and the resolution of the committee contained in clause 2 be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Residents of 400 Block East 15th
Avenue - Eviction Notice. (Clause 4)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,

THAT the resolution be approved and the recommendation of the Committee, contained in this clause in respect of the five houses, be received, and no further action taken in this matter.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

V. Report of Official Traffic
Commission, September 11, 1974.

The Council considered this report which contains six clauses identified as follows:

- Cl.1. Knight Road Area and Traffic Light at 47th and Knight.
- Cl.2. Tisdall Street/45th Avenue - Oakridge Traffic.
- Cl.3. Pedestrian Signals.
- Cl.4. Pofi Bar - Charles Street and Commercial Drive.
- Cl.5. Bus Route - No 21 Kerr Bus.
- Cl.6. 49th Avenue and Cyress Street/School Crosswalk.

The Council took action as follows:

Clauses 1 - 6.

MOVED by Ald. Marzari

THAT the recommendations of the Commission, contained in clauses, 1,2,3,4,5 & 6, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (Cont'd)VI. Report of Standing Committee on
Social Services, September 12, 1974.

The Council considered this report, which contains six clauses, identified as follows:

- Cl.1. Alleged Violations of City By-law No. 4790
(Commercial Rental Agencies)
- Cl.2. Grant Request and Development Education Resource Centre.
- Cl.3. Management of a Dangerous Patient.
- Cl.4. Family Place - Grant Request, \$3,934 per month.
- Cl.5. Eviction Notices, Residents of 400 Block East 15th Avenue.
- Cl.6. Vancouver Indian Centre Society - Grant Request \$12,879.

The Council took action as follows:

Clauses 1 and 2.

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

THAT Clauses 1 and 2 be received for information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Management of a Dangerous
Patient (Clause 3)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

THAT the recommendation of the Committee, contained in this Clause be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor appoint a delegation of Council to meet with the appropriate Cabinet Minister to urge implementation of the recommendation of the Committee contained in this clause.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Family Place - Grant Request
(Clause 4)

For Council action on this Clause see page 14.

Eviction Notices, Residents of 400
Block, East 15th Avenue, (Clause 5)

When considering this clause Council noted a report, dated September 23, 1974 from the Supervisor of Property and Insurance setting out the details of the City's procedure with respect to relocation of occupants in the Britannia Community Centre Project. The report stated in part:

'- there were a total of 77 individual acquisitions for the Britannia Community Services Centre project (including 35 Single family houses, and 38 Multiple conversions). While there were certain problems with individual tenants, these were dealt with as they occurred and it was possible, due to the length of time involved in the project and with the realms of assistance listed above, to arrange the vacant possession of all of the units to permit the project to proceed on a realistic time schedule.'

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

THAT the recommendation of the Committee, contained in this clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (Cont'd)

Report of Standing Committee on
Social Services, September 12, 1974. (Cont'd)

Vancouver Indian Centre Society -
Grant Request \$12,879. (Clause 6)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

THAT consideration of this clause be deferred to the next meeting of Council to permit information re the budget to be submitted.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VII Report of Standing Committee
on Civic Development, September 12, 1974.

Council considered this report which contains three clauses, identified as follows:

- Cl.1. Nelson Park Development.
- Cl.2. Seawall Location, Phase 2, Area 6, False Creek.
- Cl.3. West End Zoning.

Council took action as follows:

Nelson Park Development (Clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT the recommendation of the Committee, contained in this clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Seawall Location, Phase 2,
Area 6, False Creek (Clause 2)

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT the recommendation of the Committee, contained in this clause be approved, subject to report back from the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Civic Development on the matter of Sea-wall design alterations.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

West End Zoning (Clause 3)

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT this clause be received for information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VIII. Report of Standing Committee on
Community Development,
September 12, 1974.

Council considered this report which contains five clauses, identified as follows:

- Cl.1. Neighbourhood Pub Applications.
- Cl.2. Urban Renewal Funds - Strathcona, Britannia, Gastown and Chinatown.
- Cl.3. Kitsilano Area Planning Program - Progress Report
- Cl.4. Champlain Heights, Areas E and F, Progress Report.
- Cl.5. Neighbourhood Pub Application - 961 Denman Street.

Council took action as follows:

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MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (Cont'd)

Report of Standing Committee on
Community Development. (Continued)

Neighbourhood Pub Applications (Clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Volrich

THAT this clause be deferred for consideration at an early meeting of Council, when other similar applications, deferred by Council are being considered

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Urban Renewal Funds - Strathcona,
Britannia, Gastown & Chinatown (Clause 2)

For Council action on this Clause, see page 4.

Clauses 3, 4 and 5.

MOVED by Ald. Volrich

THAT clauses 3 and 5 be received for information, and the resolutions of the Committee, contained in Clause 4, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

IX. Report of Standing Committee
on Housing, September 17, 1974.

Council considered this report, which contains five clauses, identified as follows:

- Cl.1. Rental Accommodation.
- Cl.2. United Housing Foundation - Acquisition of Property in Champlain Heights.
- Cl.3. Lodging House By-law Amendment.
- Cl.4. Room Closure at 227 Carrall Street.
- Cl.5. Fire By-law Appeals.

Council took action as follows:

Clauses 1 - 5.

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt

THAT the recommendations of Alderman Harcourt, Chairman and Alderman Massey, Member of the Committee, contained in Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

X. Report of Standing Committee
on Housing, September 17, 1974.

Reimbursement for Professional Services
Jonathan Yardley. (Clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt

THAT the resolution of Alderman Harcourt, Chairman and Alderman Massey, Member of the Committee, contained in this clause, be approved.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MANAGER'S, DEPARTMENT AND OTHER REPORTS (Cont'd)

XII. Report of Vancouver Heritage
Advisory Board, September 23, 1974.

Funding for Board Member to attend
Meeting in Portland, Oregon. (Clause 1)

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT the recommendation of the Committee contained in this clause be approved, subject to passage of the required By-law.

- (amended)

MOVED by Ald. Gibson (in amendment)

THAT the following be added to the motion of Alderman Hardwick -

'FURTHER THAT the attendance of the appropriate staff official at the conference be also approved'.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The amendment having carried, the motion of Alderman Hardwick, as amended and reading as follows was put and - CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

'THAT the recommendation of the Committee contained in this clause be approved, subject to passage of the required By-law;

FURTHER THAT the attendance of the appropriate staff official at the conference be also approved.'

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick

SECONDED by Ald. Linnell

THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

1. BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO.3575
BEING THE ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT
BY-LAW.

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

SECONDED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendments.

There being no amendments, it was

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

SECONDED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS (Cont'd)

2. BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW No.3575
BEING THE ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT
BY-LAW.

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt

SECONDED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendments.

There being no amendments, it was

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

SECONDED by Ald. Hardwick

THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. BY-LAW TO CREATE THE "VANCOUVER
HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE"

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick

SECONDED by Ald. Gibson

THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendments.

There being no amendments, it was

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick

SECONDED by Ald. Gibson

THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE CERTAIN MEMBERS
OF CITY STAFF "MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES"
PURSUANT TO THE "PUBLIC OFFICIALS
& EMPLOYEES DISCLOSURE ACT"

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,

SECONDED by Ald. Marzari,

THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED

(Alderman Bowers opposed)

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendments.

There being no amendments, it was,

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,

SECONDED by Ald. Marzari,

THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED

(Alderman Bowers opposed)

BY-LAWS (cont'd)

5. BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 4702,
BEING THE BUILDING BY-LAW
(Sprinkler Systems in Office Buildings)

MOVED by Ald. Volrich,
SECONDED by Ald. Hardwick,
THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED

(Alderman Marzari opposed)

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendments.

There being no amendments, it was,

MOVED by Ald. Volrich,
SECONDED by Ald. Hardwick,
THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED

(Alderman Marzari opposed)

6. BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 4299,
BEING THE VEHICLES FOR HIRE BY-LAW
(Increased Taxicab Rates)

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Gibson,
THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendments.

There being no amendments, it was,

MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Gibson,
THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTIONS

Council considered the following Notice of Motion, submitted on September 10, 1974, by Alderman Volrich and seconded this day by Alderman Bowers, reading as follows:

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MOTIONS (Cont'd)

Buster's Auto Towing

MOVED by Ald. Volrich
SECONDED by Ald. Bowers

THAT WHEREAS

- (a) The above Company has a contract with the City of Vancouver giving it virtually exclusive rights to the business of towing away motor vehicles in the City;
- (b) The said contract confers very valuable benefits on the Company;
- (c) Many complaints are received from citizens and visitors about some of the actions and methods of operation of the Company;
- (d) Having such an exclusive contract with the City, it is important to examine the methods of operation of the Company to ensure that these methods are in accordance with the public interest and not unduly contrary to the rights and convenience of citizens and visitors to the City;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Company be requested to have its representatives appear at a meeting of the Standing Committee on Finance and Administration to discuss with the Committee its methods of operation and that the Company be requested to prepare for members of the Committee a statement outlining the present methods of operation of the Company in respect of the following practices:

- (i) Towing away vehicles from City streets during rush hours 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- (ii) Towing away vehicles from privately-owned areas.
- (iii) Gaining entry to locked vehicles and dealing with damages caused by actions of its employees.
- (iv) Charges and procedures for owners in recovering their vehicles.
- (v) Towing away vehicles on complaints of citizens.

MOVED by Ald. Marzari (in amendment)

THAT the Company be requested to have its representative appear at a joint meeting of the Vehicles for Hire Board and Standing Committee on Finance and Administration.

- CARRIED

(Aldermen Bowers, Linnell and Volrich opposed)

The amendment having carried, the motion of Alderman Volrich, as amended and reading as follows was put and - CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

THAT WHEREAS

- (a) The above Company has a contract with the City of Vancouver giving it virtually exclusive rights to the business of towing away motor vehicles in the City;
- (b) The said contract confers very valuable benefits on the Company;
- (c) Many complaints are received from citizens and visitors about some of the actions and methods of operation of the Company;
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MOTIONS (Cont'd)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Company be requested to have its representatives appear at a joint meeting of the Vehicles for Hire Board and Standing Committee on Finance and Administration to discuss with the Committees its methods of operation and that the Company be requested to prepare for members of the Committee a statement outlining the present methods of operation of the Company in respect of the following practices:

- (i) Towing away vehicles from City streets during rush hours 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- (ii) Towing away vehicles from privately-owned areas.
- (iii) Gaining entry to locked vehicles and dealing with damages caused by actions of its employees.
- (iv) Charges and procedures for owners in recovering their vehicles.
- (v) Towing away vehicles on complaints of citizens.

A. Closing, Stopping up and Conveyance of the easterly 33 feet of St. George Street and the westerly 33 feet of Carolina Street, abutting Lot "A", amended Lot 92, District Lot 264A, to the owner of the said Lot "A" to form one parcel.

MOVED by Ald. Rankin

SECONDED by Ald. Hardwick.

THAT WHEREAS

1. The City of Vancouver is the owner of all the streets and lanes lying within the limits of the City of Vancouver;
2. The easterly 33 feet of St. George Street and the westerly 33 feet of Carolina Street abutting Lot "A", amended Lot 92, District Lot 264A, Plan 10548 is surplus to the City's highway requirements;
3. The owner of said Lot "A" has made application to acquire these two portions of surplus highway for the construction of a housing development.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the easterly 33 feet of St. George Street and the westerly 33 feet of Caroline Street, dedicated by the deposit of Plan 185, lying between the easterly and westerly extensions of the southerly and northerly limit of Lot "A", amended Block 92, District Lot 264A, Plan 10548 the same as shown outlined green and red respectively on a plan prepared by A. Burhoe, B.C.L.S., dated December 3, 1973, and marginally numbered LF 6820, a print of which is hereunto annexed; be closed, stopped up and conveyed to the owner of said Lot "A"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the said closed portions of road be consolidated with the said Lot "A" to form one parcel.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTIONS (Cont'd)

Vancouver Heritage Advisory Committee
Appointment of Members.

MOVED by Ald. Hardwick
SECONDED by Ald. Gibson

THAT the current members of the Vancouver Heritage Advisory Board be appointed to the Vancouver Heritage Advisory Committee until such time as appointments come up in the regular manner;

FURTHER THAT Alderman Massey be appointed as Council's representative on the Vancouver Heritage Advisory Committee.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

Alderman Linnell
Department of Human Resources
Welfare Overages.

expressed concern at the Welfare Overages in the Budget of the Department of Human Resources, and the effect on the City of Vancouver.

MOVED by Ald. Linnell
SECONDED by Ald. Gibson

THAT the Mayor request the Minister of Human Resources and the Director of Finance to submit an explanation of details of the Welfare overages which occurred in the Budget of the Department of Human Resources and the consequences to the City of Vancouver.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Council adjourned at approximately 10.40 p.m.

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The foregoing are Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 24, 1974, adopted on October 1, 1974.

A. Phillips
MAYOR

B. L. Little
CITY CLERK

Manager's Report, September 20, 1974 (WORKS - 1)

WORKS AND UTILITY MATTERS

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Tender No. 29-74-13 for the Supply of Mercury Vapour Street Lighting Luminaires

Tenders for the above were opened by your Board on June 24, 1974 and referred to the Deputy City Engineer and Purchasing Agent for report. The officials concerned report as follows:

"The working copy of the tabulation is in the office of the Purchasing Agent. The 5% Provincial Sales Tax is in addition to all prices shown in the report and in the tabulation.

Funds for the purchase of the luminaires required immediately are provided in the 1974 Street Lighting Capital Budget. Funds for purchase of luminaires required next Spring will be included in the 1975 Street Lighting Capital Budget.

General Information:

The tenderers were requested to submit prices on quantities of luminaires required immediately and for estimated additional quantities required during the next twelve months.

Powerlite Devices Limited quoted firm prices for a 12 month period. Westinghouse Canada Limited quoted prices which were firm for a six month period and subject to a one percent increase per month thereafter. Fleeton Electrical Supplies Limited quoted prices which were firm for a two month period.

WE RECOMMEND acceptance of the following bids:

Item 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3 Horizontal Mercury Vapour Luminaires - the bid from Powerlite Devices Ltd. be accepted for the supply of 735 luminaires immediately and approximately 650 next Spring at a cost of \$56,891.25 and approximately \$49,952.50 respectively.

The low bid was submitted by Fleeton Electrical Supplies Ltd. which was based on supplying older style luminaires. The cost of replacement parts and the need to purchase spares since we do not have any of these luminaires in service would make it more costly than the recommended bid and furthermore the Company will soon discontinue this style of luminaires.

The Powerlite Devices bid offers the best value since their price is firm for a full year.

Item 2.3 Post Top Mercury Vapour Luminaires - the low bid from Powerlite Devices Ltd. be accepted for the supply of 80-400 watt luminaires equipped with 250 watt ballasts and approximately 50 next Spring at an estimated cost of \$7,344.00 and approximately \$4,590.00 respectively.

Item 3.1 Pendant Mercury Vapour Luminaires - the lowest acceptable bid from WESCO Canada Ltd. be accepted for the supply of 160 luminaires with glass refractors immediately and approximately 100 next Spring at a cost of \$10,886.40 and approximately \$6,804.00 respectively."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the recommendation of the Deputy City Engineer and Purchasing Agent be approved, subject to contracts satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services.

2. General Classification of Automobiles for Civic Use

The City Engineer reports as follows:

"The report recommends amendments to the report on the 'General Classification of Automobiles for Civic Use' dated February 9, 1967.

Over the last seven years experience has indicated that a revision of this classification is desirable. A table is attached which outlines the 'General Classifications of Automobiles for Civic Use' with all proposed amendments.

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The proposed amendments are:

- (A) Reduction of number of classes to three types.
- (B) Inclusion of Automatic Transmission as standard equipment.
- (C) Inclusion of power steering and power disc brakes in automobiles for Police and Fire Departments.
- (D) Provision of standard size sedans for Department Heads.

(A) REDUCTION OF CLASSES OF AUTOMOBILES

The previous classification called for four (4) classes of automobiles for Civic use as follows:

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| i. | Small Compact | - Envoy, Ford Cortina, Chevrolet Vega, Ford Pinto. |
| ii. | Compact (Standard Trans) | - Chevrolet, Chevy II, Ford Maverick, Plymouth Valiant. |
| iii. | Compact (Auto Trans) | - Chevrolet-Chevy II, Ford Maverick, Plymouth Valiant. |
| iv. | Large Compact | - Chevrolet Chevelle, Ford Fairlane, Plymouth Belvedere. |

Our past experience indicates that the initial purchase price advantage of the small compact automobile is offset by increased maintenance cost over the vehicle life. In addition, the use of one class of automobile for City Hall applications would facilitate rotation of automobiles between users according to utilization, equalizing mileage and minimizing costs. In addition, the repair parts inventory for automobiles can be reduced and maintenance procedures simplified because of fewer types of automobiles.

The class of automobile recommended for City Hall use is a compact such as:

Chevrolet	- Chevy II
Ford	- Maverick
Plymouth	- Valiant

(B) AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION

The previous report required that at least one of the following four conditions be met before an automatic transmission could be purchased:

- i. Multi-Drivers (3 or more)
- ii. Annual Mileage greater than 8,000
- iii. Use by Department Head
- iv. If two-way radio equipped.

In general, people are now buying automatic transmissions in their private automobiles and are becoming less proficient in the operation of a standard transmission-equipped automobile to the point where many employees will not use a car without automatic transmission. Clutch and transmission repairs form a large part of the maintenance problems on Civic automobiles with standard transmissions.

The additional cost of an automatic transmission is between \$180 and \$250 (approx. \$22 per year for a ten year life). This added cost is offset by lower maintenance costs, greater availability because of less downtime, and an increased resale value.

(C) INCLUSION OF POWER STEERING AND POWER DISC BRAKES IN AUTOMOBILES FOR POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS

In the past three years the specifications for police patrol cars have been written to obtain prices for power steering and power disc front brakes. In 1969 and 1970, Council approved purchase of cars with power disc brakes for patrol work and a few cars were equipped with power steering. Experience with these 1969 and 1970 models indicated that the extra costs of these options were partly offset by reduced maintenance (power disc brakes) and increased resale value.

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The power disc brakes option (at approx. \$50) provides a brake system which eliminates two of our major brake problems; fading brakes and brake pull on the front axle. Power steering (approx. \$100) provides additional safety for an emergency vehicle by increasing the car's response to steering wheel movement; allows the automobiles to be safely manoeuvred in the case of a front tire failure, and reduces driver fatigue during an eight hour shift. Power steering has been purchased on police cars since 1971, and power brakes since 1969.

(D) STANDARD SIZE AUTOMOBILES

In the past we have purchased standard size automobiles for Police and Fire Departments when they were offered at lower prices than the large compacts. It is recommended that the practice of selecting the lowest bid to meet specifications be continued and that standard size automobiles be purchased if they are low bid.

The Chief Constable, Fire Chief and other department heads have been supplied with standard size automobiles since these automobiles are used to transport a number of people and space is essential. These automobiles have not been purchased with the standard police options but have been equipped with more deluxe upholstery and trim. The extra cost of this type of automobile over a standard police car is partly offset by the extra resale value. It is recommended that this practice be continued.

SUMMARY

The four proposed amendments to the report "General Classification of Automobiles for Civic use" are;

- (A) Reduction of number of classes to three types
- (B) Inclusion of Automatic Transmission as standard equipment
- (C) Inclusion of power steering and power disc brakes in automobiles for Police and Fire departments
- (D) Provision of standard size automobiles for;
 - police and fire department use where they are more economical
 - department heads such as Chief Constable and Fire Chief".

The City Manager RECOMMENDS the above changes to the report on the "General Classification of Automobiles for Civic Use" be approved.

3. Water Main Installation - 1975 Capital Budget

The City Engineer reports as follows:

"Because of the present delays experienced in obtaining material, and the uncertainty of the scheduling of the water main installation for False Creek Area 6, an advance from the 1975 Water Works Capital Budget is requested. The advance would permit projects to be established that could be completed in the event that current projects are delayed.

The advance of 1975 Capital Funds will insure a continuous, uniform construction program over the remainder of the 1971-1975 Five Year Plan. The allocation of funds is necessary at this time to allow for the detailed planning of the construction work. The reallocation of 1974 Capital Funds when a delay of a project occurs would not allow time for the proper planning of work. The schedule of other projects allocated in the 1974 Budget are dependent on material supply, street paving, or area development and cannot be advanced.

The work to be advanced is for the replacement of water mains in the area bounded by Great Northern Way, 13th Avenue, Manitoba Street and Clark Drive. The work is required to maintain fire protection and replace leaking steel water mains. The majority of the water mains to be replaced are small

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diameter old cast iron, whose flow capacity has been reduced due to tuberculation so they can no longer provide adequate flow for fire fighting. Material for this work is available from our present stock.

The estimated cost of the water main replacement work is \$345,000.

Unallocated Capital Funds for this work are available from the funds approved by Council on March 1st, 1974, for additional Water Works expenditures for the remainder of the 1971 - 1975 Five Year Plan.

I RECOMMEND that the above work be approved, and that \$345,000. be advanced from the 1975 Water Works Capital Budget."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the City Engineer be approved.

(Requires affirmative vote of 2/3 of the Aldermen present.)

4. Local Improvements by "Petition"

First Step

The City Engineer reports as follows:

"Petitions for

- Pavements & Curbs, Local Residential
- Lane Pavements, Residential Standard
- P. C. Concrete Sidewalks
- P. C. Concrete Sidewalks on School Collector Streets

sufficiently signed by affected property owners have been forwarded to me by the City Clerk. As required by the Local Improvement Procedure By-law, I have to advise that it is feasible and desirable to undertake the projects as Local Improvements.

The projects are shown on the attached schedule dated September 6, 1974.

The City's share of these improvements is available in the 1974 Streets Capital Budget."

Second Step

The Director of Finance submits the following report on the financial arrangements:

"In accordance with the provisions of the Local Improvement Procedure By-law, I am submitting the City Engineer's report dated September 6, 1974.

The estimated total cost of these improvements is \$1,122,752 and the City's share of the cost is \$744,467.

I have to report that the necessary financial arrangements can be made to carry out this work.

Your Board has decided that it is desirable to undertake the projects referred to and RECOMMENDS that:

- I. The reports of the City Engineer and the Director of Finance be adopted together with the details of the Second Step report on file in the City Clerk's Office.
- II. The following streets be designated as School Collector Streets for the purposes of Part I of the Local Improvement Procedure By-law:
 - Crown Street, 41st Avenue to S.W. Marine Drive;
 - Rupert Street, 5th Avenue to 6th Avenue;
 - Slocan Street, Charles Street to the lane north of Charles Street.
- III. The City-owned parcels shown on the list attached to the detailed Second Step report for the Local Improvement projects be declared assessable.

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- IV. The Court of Revision for projects listed in the attached schedule dated September 6, 1974, be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 31, 1974."
- V. Because of the considerable cost of advertising these projects, the Assessment Commissioner be instructed to post the list in the City Clerk's Office.

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendations of the City Engineer be approved.

CONSIDERATION:

5. Local Initiatives Program - 1974-1975

The City Engineer reports as follows:

"On September 9, 1974 as was the practice in preceding years, application forms and guidelines were circulated by Engineering to City departments requesting submissions for Local Initiatives Program (L.I.P.) projects.

Since submission to the local Job Creation Branch must be post-marked no later than midnight October 1, 1974, we have requested that completed applications be returned to us by September 19, 1974 so that projects may be analyzed, tabulated and summarized for report.

In 1973, approximately 35 projects were reviewed; it is expected that at least this many will be returned for 1974.

A detailed review of all projects may be more than Council would wish to undertake at a regular meeting; we would suggest in view of the short time available, that Council submit the proposals to the Standing Committee on Finance and Administration with authority to make application for projects on the City's behalf. Applications authorized by the Standing Committee would be subject to formal confirmation by Council. The Director of Finance suggests that Council may also wish to limit the City share of Revenue Budget funds to a maximum of \$150,000."

The City Manager submits the above matter to Council for CONSIDERATION.

(A list of applications with a brief summary will be on file in the City Clerk's Office for perusal.)

6. 1000 Block Barclay Street - Tree Relocation for Crossing to Y.M.C.A. Addition

The City Engineer reports as follows:

"On September 25, 1973, it was resolved 'that it be the policy of Council that before any trees on public property are removed in the West End area (all streets west of Burrard), such be referred to Council for CONSIDERATION'.

The YMCA located at 955 Burrard Street, is constructing an addition to the westerly end of their existing building which requires a sidewalk crossing on the south side of the 1000 Block Barclay Street for access to parking. There is a tree in the area of the proposed crossing.

As it is desirable to retain this tree and it is not practical to relocate the crossing satisfactorily because of the structural design constraints within the addition which would result in increased cost and a reduction in the number of parking spaces provided, the West End Planning Team recommends that the relocation of the tree be a condition of approval of the crossing. The Board of Parks and Recreation have advised that they will undertake the relocation of the tree at the expense of the developer.

The City Manager submits the above matter to Council for CONSIDERATION.

Manager's Report, September 20, 1974 (SOCIAL - 1)

SOCIAL SERVICE & HEALTH

RECOMMENDATION

1. Group Trailer Parking

The Medical Health Officer reports as follows:

"An application was received by the Health Department on September 12, 1974 from the Northwest International Horse Show, for the parking of a group of 10 (ten) or more trailers at the Pacific National Exhibition on September 23 - 28, 1974.

Authority for allowing these arrangements is contained in By-law No. 3986, Section 3. (2) which reads as follows:

'The Council may, upon the recommendation of the Medical Health Officer, permit trailers and house-cars to be occupied as living or sleeping quarters in areas other than those within the boundaries of a trailer court for a specified period of time. Such permission shall not be granted in respect of individual trailer or house-car units, but shall be limited to groups comprising ten or more of such units.'

Sanitary arrangements will be to the satisfaction of the Medical Health Officer.

Since the City Council was not convening prior to this date, the Medical Health Officer has permitted the parking of these thirty or forty campers and trailers in this area on the same arrangements as Council approved in the past."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the application of the Northwest International Horse Show for the parking of 10 (ten) or more trailers at the Pacific National Exhibition on September 23-28, 1974, be approved.

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Manager's Report, September 20, 1974 (BUILDING - 1)

BUILDING & PLANNING MATTERS

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Development Permit Notification - Kitsilano Area

The Director of Planning reports as follows:

"The Department of Permits & Licenses is currently forwarding a copy of all development permit applications received to two Kitsilano groups; the West Broadway Citizen's Committee and the Kitsilano Area Resources Association.

This is being done to enable residents of Kitsilano to be aware of development that is occurring in their community. However, now that the Area Planning Program in Kitsilano has been initiated, the Kitsilano Planning Office is undertaking a program of public involvement and notification of all matters affecting the community. The Kitsilano Area Resources Association believes it is no longer necessary for them to be notified. However, the West Broadway Citizen's Committee still desires to be notified of Development Permits.

This matter has been discussed at the Kitsilano Citizen's Planning Committee, of which both these groups are members, and it has been agreed that Vancouver City Council be requested to forward all permit applications to the City Planning Office in Kitsilano, as well as the West Broadway Citizen's Committee.

It is therefore recommended:

- A. THAT the furnishing of all development permit applications in the Kitsilano Area to the Kitsilano Area Resources Association be discontinued.
- B. THAT all applications for development permits or demolition permits that are applied for within the Kitsilano area continue to be forwarded to the Kitsilano Planning Office and the West Broadway Citizen's Committee."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing report of the Director of Planning be approved.

2. Waterfront Planning Study - Ongoing Consultation with Project Manager

The Director of Planning reports as follows:

"The contract between the City and the Waterfront Planning Study Project Manager, Mr. R. Mann, expired on August 31, 1974.

While the four stages of the Study will be completed by that time, it is recommended that the City enter into a contract with Mr. Mann on a consultant basis, part time, to implement the recommendations of the Waterfront Planning Study.

Mr. Mann will be advising the Director of Planning on a number of items including the following:

1. Assist during passage of G.V.R.D. Regional Plan amendment.
2. Assist in review of D.P.A.'s in face of Waterfront guidelines.
3. Assist in review of G.V.R.D., NHB, CP Rail, and Transit Bureau area plans.
4. Transmit to City Hall information about the site (e.g. filling, temporary structures, entrepreneurial activity, attitude of operating businesses, etc.)

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Clause #2 continued:

- 5. Assist in decisions regarding Stage 4 - Implementation.
- 6. Assist in design of planning regulations.
- 7. Assist in coordinating project plans and design.

Mr. Mann estimates that the costs for the above would be:

For September and October 1974

2 days a week @ \$200 per day (consultant fee)	
2 days a week @ \$150 per day (office operations)*	\$6,300

For November and December

1½ days a week @ \$200 per day (consultant fee)	
1½ days a week @ \$150 per day (office operations)	\$4,200

Total 1974 budget	\$10,500
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*Office operations include clerical help

This has been discussed with the Ministry of State for Urban Affairs, who have shared in the cost of the Waterfront Study to date. They have indicated their willingness to consider sharing up to 50% of estimated \$10,500 costs and the Director of Planning anticipates their formal agreement to this arrangement by the time of this Council meeting.

No funds are available within the Departmental budget and the Comptroller of Accounts advises that if this report is adopted funding sources will be from Contingency Reserve.

A further report will be made in late December of the Consultant's progress in implementing the recommendations made in Stage 4.

Accordingly, it is recommended:

- A. THAT the City enter into a contract with Mr. R. Mann, on a consultant basis, for the period September 1 to December 31, 1974.
- B. THAT funds be made available from Contingency Reserve in the amount of \$5,250.00 to cover the City's share of the consultant's expenses.
- C. THAT final contract arrangements be referred to the City Manager."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the recommendations of the Director of Planning be endorsed subject to confirmation from the Ministry of State for Urban Affairs that they will share 50% of the costs of \$10,500.00

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FINANCE MATTERS

RECOMMENDATION

1. Twice Annual Tax Billing:
Policy and Required By-laws

The Director of Finance reports as follows:

"In September, 1973 City Council approved the concept of a twice annual tax billing system through a report submitted by the Director of Finance which recommended that

- a) the Director of Finance report back to Council on specific detailed recommendations regarding the computerized implementations of this system, and
- b) the Director of Legal Services draft Charter amendments giving Council much greater flexibility in the billing and collection of real property taxes.

In November, 1973 City Council received and approved a joint report submitted by the Director of Finance and the Co-ordinator of Data Processing and Systems which presented the actual computer selection and costs, and which indicated that further reports would be submitted to Council, as required, regarding policy matters and resource requirements pursuant to the implementation of the twice annual tax billing system. In this regard two reports were received and approved by City Council in April, 1974. One report dealt with organizational changes within the Revenue and Treasury Division, and the other dealt with specific system and equipment requirements needed to keep the implementation of this project on schedule. To-date the system design, the computer programming activities, and the implementation of associated procedural changes remain close to schedule.

Recently the 1974 Charter amendments as prepared by the Director of Legal Services received Legislative approval thereby eliminating a contingent factor which could have delayed the implementation of this system—that is the ability for Council to provide the by-law for the payment and collection of real property taxes and other charges more frequently than once a year.

This present report deals with policy matters and provides recommendations regarding:

1. The advance property tax billing By-law
2. Amendments to the tax prepayment By-law No. 4018
3. Amendments to the tax penalty By-law No. 4046

1. Advance Property Tax Billing By-law

- A. Advance Tax Billing:

This process can be described as billing in advance of the real property tax levy a stated percentage of the previous year's net property taxes and charges. This advance billing will occur in late November of each year so that advance tax bills can be in the taxpayers' hands at least five full weeks ahead of the due date, proposed as the second working day in February of the applicable tax year. Tax payments made pursuant to the advance billing will be treated as payments on account and will reduce the outstanding tax liability as created by this billing process. If prior years taxes remain unpaid the payment will be applied to the oldest outstanding balance and, if greater, to the next oldest, etc. Any advance balance remaining unpaid after the February due date will be subject to a stated penalty charge as approved by Council. Payments received and applied to the advance billing will be deducted from the real property tax levy and charges during the main billing process to produce a final net tax bill in May.

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B. Considerations Regarding the Advance Property Tax Billing By-law:

The enabling legislation and authority for this by-law is section 416, as revised, of the Vancouver Charter which reads as follows:

"(1) Notwithstanding any provision of this Part, the Council may, by by-law, provide for the payment of real property taxes and other charges imposed or to be imposed, pursuant to this Act, by monthly, quarterly, or twice-yearly instalments.

(2) A by-law passed pursuant to this section may provide for the collection of taxes and other charges in advance of the passing of the rating by-law or preparation of the real property tax roll, and may provide for a penalty on any amounts unpaid on the date they become due and payable; provided, however, that any such penalty when combined with all other penalties imposed pursuant to Section 376 shall not exceed the limitation set out in Section 376.

(3) A by-law providing for the collection of taxes and other charges in advance of the preparation of the real property tax roll shall provide that the amount of the instalment payable in respect of such parcel of real property shall be a percentage of the amount of taxes and other charges payable on the real property tax roll for the immediately preceding year.

(4) For the purpose of this section, real property taxes and other charges shall include school taxes and all other taxes, levies and charges in respect of real property which the City is required to impose pursuant to any statute."

In consideration of the above authority and in order to provide a viable advance tax billing process, I recommend the following:

Recommendation:

- (a) That the advance billing amount, for a parcel of real property, be calculated as 50% of the immediately preceding year's current taxes and charges after allowance for Provincial Grants.
- (b) that the advance billing amount so calculated be rounded to the nearest dollar.
- (c) that an advance billing floor limit of \$25.00 be established to postpone the billing of small amounts until the final billing. An analysis of the properties affected indicates that the approximate loss in advance revenue by adopting this measure will be \$90,000.00. The effective loss to the City would be the interest on this amount for 5 months.
- (d) that parcels of real property not having previous year's taxes and charges because of subdivision and consolidation be exempted from the advance billing process.
- (e) that parcels of real property, whose owners have made an election to defer real property taxes under the Provincial Tax Deferment Act, be exempted from the advance billing process.
- (f) that a penalty rate applicable to the advance billing be established. The rate initially to be 4% and to take effect after the second business day of February. This penalty to be entered as a charge on the real property tax roll if unpaid at the time of the passing of the rating by-law pursuant to Part XX of the Vancouver Charter.

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2. Tax Prepayment By-law No. 4018

The enabling legislation and authority for this by-law is section 412 of the Vancouver Charter which reads as follows:

"The Council may by by-law provide for the acceptance by the Collector of moneys to be applied at a future date in payment of real property taxes, and may in such by-law provide terms and conditions upon which such moneys shall be accepted and held, and the rate of interest to be paid thereon."

A. Current System

The City of Vancouver has a prepayment plan that allows taxpayers to make payments at any time in any amount, on account, although these payments are not considered prepayments whenever outstanding tax balances are present, and further may not earn interest for the full period of prepayment. Thus, amounts paid to the City in such a manner between November 1 and March 31 of the next succeeding year, up to a total not exceeding the previous year's net taxes, will earn interest at a rate of 7% per annum from the date of payment to June 30th following. Any credit balances on account at the beginning of November are treated in a similar manner. Previous experience has indicated that even with an advertising campaign there appears to be only a small group of taxpayers who make tax prepayments, for the most part old-age pensioners. Tax payments collected in this manner in 1974 amounted to \$1,475,000.

In conjunction with the tax prepayment plan the City also allows taxpayers to make tax deposits under the same terms and conditions as tax prepayments. This allows a taxpayer to deposit moneys with the City and later apply this sum to properties of his choice. A few taxpayers take advantage of this deposit facility, but rarely more than one or two a year.

B. Proposed System:

The tax prepayment plan is an excellent convenience for those taxpayers who wish to use it, and since its intent and purpose is financially sound I recommend that we retain this plan in conjunction with the twice annual tax billing system. The current prepayment plan is not structured to allow for advance billing and collection of property taxes, therefore for 1975 and subsequent years it must be modified to function around this advance billing process.

Recommendation:

The Tax Prepayment By-law be amended as follows:

- (a) For the purpose of the taxpayer earning interest, allow prepayments to be made-
 - (i) from November 1 to December 31 inclusive to earn interest to the advance billing due date in February of the next succeeding year, and
 - (ii) from the advance billing penalty date in February to March 31 inclusive to earn interest to June 30th following.
- (b) That prepayment interest be calculated from the date of receipt of the prepayment to the end of the applicable prepayment period.
- (c) That payments received-
 - (i) from January 1 to the advance billing due date in February inclusive, and
 - (ii) from April 1 to October 31 inclusive not be considered prepayments.
- (d) That credit balances created by overpayment of taxes earn interest under the same terms and conditions as described in (a) and (b) above.

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- (e) That tax prepayments always be designated and applied to a specific tax account.
- (f) That any one prepayment be a minimum of \$10.00 except for credit balances which remain on file as above-indicated.
- (g) That the current rate of interest be increased from 7% to 9% in light of current interest rates. This interest rate is subject to review and changes are recommended to Council as necessary.

3. Tax Penalty By-law No. 4046

The enabling legislation and authority for this by-law is section 376 of the Vancouver Charter which reads as follows:

"The Council may by by-law provide for percentage additions, not exceeding ten per centum, to be made to real property taxes levied by a rating by-law and any other charges lawfully imposed and inserted in the tax roll if not paid by certain times in the year in which they are levied, and may fix the times and percentages accordingly. The amounts so added shall be deemed to be part of such real-property taxes for the year in which they are added."

A. Current System:

The penalty structure as indicated in and by the tax penalty by-law is applied to current unpaid taxes as follows:

If current taxes, or any portion thereof remain outstanding after the,

-	"	2nd business day in July	the penalty rate is 1% on the unpaid balance;
-	"	August	" 2% " ;
-	"	September	" 3% " ;
-	"	October	" 5% " ;
-	"	November	" 8% " .

Refer to Appendix for a graph of our current penalty structure. This by-law also provides that tax payments by instalments of less than \$1.00 need not be accepted.

B. Proposed System:

The progressive penalty structure adopted by the City acts as an incentive for taxpayers to make payment before the next penalty due date to avoid an increase in the penalty rate. The proposed penalty structure will therefore remain progressive but the penalty rates have been adjusted to compete with current investment rates paid by financial institutions such as banks, trust companies and credit unions. In effect a taxpayer can now borrow from the City, by deferring payment of property taxes until a later date, and offset the effect of any penalty charge. The proposed front-end adjustment of our penalty rates will make this investment alternative less attractive and thus encourage earlier payment of property taxes. The following chart presents a comparative analysis of the current tax penalty structures of neighbouring municipalities and the proposed City structure.

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Comparative Analysis of Tax Penalty Structures

Municipality	Penalty Date	Stated Penalty Rate %	Effective Compounded Penalty Rate %	Effective Cumulative Penalty Rate %
a) Burnaby	July	1	1	1
	August	2	2.02	3.02
	September	3	3.09	6.11
	October	4	4.24	10.35
b) New Westminster	August	5	5	5
	October	5	5	10
c) Coquitlam	July	7	7	7
	August	3	3.21	10.21
d) Vancouver (proposed)*	February	4	4.00	2.00**
	July	4	4.08	6.08
	August	5	5.10	7.10
	September	6	6.12	8.12

*This penalty structure adheres to the limitation as set out in Section 376 of the Vancouver Charter wherein the percentage additions to the current tax roll cannot exceed 10 per centum.

**The advance tax billing amount will be approximately 50% of the actual final bill.

Refer to Appendix for a graph of the proposed penalty structure.

Recommendation:

The Tax Penalty By-law be amended as follows:

- a) that the penalty rate on the unpaid balance of current taxes be,
 - 4% after the 2nd business day of July to the 2nd business day of Aug.incl.
 - 5% " August " Sept."
 - 6% " September.
- b) that the minimum payment for tax payments made in instalments be \$10.00.

4. Report Recommendation

I recommend that City Council approve the detailed recommendations contained in this report and that the Director of Legal Services be authorized to draft an Advance Property Tax Billing By-law and to amend the Tax prepayment and Tax Penalty By-laws, as required, for Council approval at the earliest possible date."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing report of the Director of Finance be approved.

(Appendix showing graph of the proposed penalty structure is attached for Council's information.)

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CONSIDERATION

2. Study Costs: Recreation Services Division
Board of Parks and Recreation
By Social Planning Department

The Director of Social Planning and the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation report as follows:

"On July 19th, 1974, the Board of Parks and Recreation approved the following resolution of Council:

'That the Board support the 'Recreation Services Study' to be carried out by the Social Planning Department and Park Board staff, with consultants to be engaged as necessary, and the study to proceed.'

Prior to that, Vancouver City Council had approved the sum of \$65,500, of which \$14,500 was to be spent on an analysis of the Recreation Services Division of the Board of Parks and Recreation.

The pertinent Council resolution was passed on February 5th, 1974, and reads as follows:

'That the sum of \$65,500 be placed on the 1974 Park Board budget for consultant services on accounting and managing systems and on recreation needs.

And that the Board of Administration report back to this Committee on methods of purchasing these services after consulting with a new Park Board Directors of Finance and Recreation, as and when appointed.'

The Social Planning Department has agreed to undertake the Study. It is already underway and a completion date set for November 30th, 1974. The sum of \$14,500 has proved inadequate to provide the information and recommendations required, given the escalating demand for and cost of new recreation facilities, additions to existing facilities and their effective management and programming. Preliminary investigation and data collection already undertaken by Social Planning has revealed additional problem areas not previously considered by Parks Board staff or their consultants, Peat Marwick. As a result, the scope of the study has turned out to be more extensive than originally contemplated. Additional monies are required in the amount of \$12,066 from the Department of Social Planning's approved 1974 RESER and POSER budget.

STUDY COSTS BREAKDOWN

- (1) Consultant's Salary - Park Board Funds

Richard Wagner

Salary level per month: \$1,208.00

to be on Social Planning staff from
September 1st to December 15th, 1974

\$4,228 .00

- (2) Architectural Consultants - Interior/Exterior Design

Existing facilities have design problems, particularly in the following areas:

- (a) relationship between site, parking, public walkways and facility entrances;
- (b) design of office and reception areas, particularly where rink and pool facilities exist or have been added;
- (c) socialization areas and "comfort zones" referring to entrance ways, reception areas and lounges;

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Clause 2 continued(2) Architectural Consultants /Cont'd

- (d) layout of facilities, particularly older facilities in relation to present, changing programme demands and building use.

Architectural consultants would analyse all recreation facilities and recommend on alterations and improvements including estimated costs of proposed changes in each community centre and recreation complex. These consultants will prepare sketches of the work to be done, but the fee of \$10,000.00 does not include working drawings nor the supervision of work undertaken. Costs for actual building renovations or changes are undetermined at this time. Additional costs for working drawings for such renovations and changes are an anticipated result of the architectural consultants' analysis. A priority list of facilities has been provided by Park Board officials.

- \$10,000.00

(3) Public Opinion Survey (POSER)

A Public Opinion Survey of users and non-users of recreation facilities in the City will be undertaken.

- \$ 5,000.00

(4) Analysis of Recreation Departments - Other Cities (POSER)

Information regarding management, operation and programming carried out in numerous cities has been gathered via correspondence. It is proposed that Mrs. Mae Brown, Commissioner, Mr. Marshall Smith, Director of Recreation, and Mr. D. Purdy, Senior Social Planner and Study Co-ordinator, visit the following cities: Halifax, Toronto, Milwaukee, Minneapolis and Calgary - as each has one or more new or different kinds of operation which will provide useful information for analysis and recommendations for changes in the present delivery of recreation services in Vancouver. The time required for this analysis is 10 days.

- \$ 3,000.00

(5) Special Consultants (POSER)

These recreation consultants will be employed to offer their expertise and criticism of the data analysis and recommendations to ensure that the proposals are both implementable and workable. A list of 5 of the best recreation consultants available in the lower Mainland has been developed for the above purposes. These funds represent honoraria for their services.

- \$ 1,500.00

(6) Programme Matrix Analysis (RESER)

An analysis of all programmes carried out by Community Centres, Complexes and Recreation Projects is underway by Social Planning Research staff. The object is to determine:

- (a) scope of recreation programming;
(b) the depth and overlapping with other organizations in particular, Vancouver School Board

Coding, key-punching and computer costs for this aspect of the study are estimated to be:

- \$ 1,500.00

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Clause 2 continued

(7) Printing Costs (RESER)

Costs will be incurred for printing: - \$ 500.00

SUMMARY

Total cost of the Study: (excluding Social Planning staff time)	\$25,728.00
Park Board share	\$14,500.00
Social Planning Department share	\$11,228.00

The Director of Social Planning and the Superintendent of the Board of Parks and Recreation recommend as follows:

- (1) that the \$14,500 approved in principle by Vancouver City Council on February 5th, 1974 now be available to the Social Planning Department from the Board of Parks and Recreation budget to carry out the Study of the Recreation Services Division and applied to the following study areas:
 - (a) one Consultants salary (\$4,228.00)
 - (b) Architectural Consultants - Interior/Exterior Design (\$10,000.00) subject to agreements satisfactory to Director of Legal Services
 - (c) Printing costs contribution (\$272.00)

 - (2) that \$9,500 from the Department of Social Planning's POSER Fund be approved by Vancouver City Council for payment of:
 - (a) the Public Opinion Survey
 - (b) Analysis of Recreation Departments - Other Cities
 - (c) Special Consultants

Council approval is required for individual expenditures from the Department of Social Planning's POSER Account in excess of \$5,000.00.

 - (3) that the Director of Social Planning be authorized to approve the expenditure of funds as outlined in the preceding recommendations, including the Park Board funds.
- N.B. The additional costs of funding the Programme Matrix Analysis (\$1,500.00) and Printing Costs (\$228) totalling \$1,728.00 from the Department of Social Planning's RESER Account does not require Council approval.

The scope of the study will not examine the following components of the recreation network:

- 45 supervised playgrounds
- Co-ordination of playing fields
- Management of Stadiums

These elements will be the subject of a separate analysis by the Social Planning Department at no extra cost."

The City Manager submits the recommendations of the Director of Social Planning and the Superintendent of the Board of Parks and Recreation for Council CONSIDERATION.

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INFORMATION

3. Social Planning Department Artists Gallery

The Director of Social Planning reports as follows:

"On March 18th, 1974, Council approved my recommendation that the balance of funds in Materials Account #704/23 remaining unexpended as of May 31st, 1974 (estimated to be \$17,600.00) be carried forward to November 30th, 1974, to allow the operation of the Artists Gallery in its new format.

I advised at that time that I would make recommendations to Council in September 1974 regarding future auspices and finances for this program.

As a result of economies in the operation of the Gallery and revenue from the sale of works of art, funds are available to continue the Gallery to the end of December 1974, at present levels of expenditure.

However, an interim report is in order:

- (a) A majority of artists given their start with the Gallery have been able to move on to commercial galleries and many have become self sufficient and successful.
- (b) Agents from the Provincial Government's Art Bank have expressed an interest in part of the collection for their acquisition program.
- (c) A number of galleries have been using the Gallery's library of slides of local artists as a resource to discover new talent.
- (d) Several of the artists who were given their start with the program have been appointed to teaching positions with the Vancouver School of Art and other educational institutions.
- (e) Staff were extensively involved in organizing activities during Celebration '74 on Granville Mall.

I will be reporting to Council before the end of this year regarding future financing for this program in relation to the Departmental Budget."

The City Manager submits the foregoing report for Council's INFORMATION.

RECOMMENDATION

4. Worker's Compensation Board Requirements for Fire Department

The Fire Chief reports as follows:

"The Worker's Compensation Board recently completed an inspection of all City Fire Halls with the purpose of ensuring that all building facilities and personal protective equipment meet the minimum standards laid down by the Accident Prevention Regulations as enacted by Provincial Parliament.

A review of the Board requirements reveals that the following new equipment and building alterations will be required:

Self contained breathing apparatus:-

The practice of the Fire Department has been to maintain gauges on the face piece of the equipment. However, the recently revised Provincial Regulations require gauges to be installed on each air tank in addition to the one on the face piece. This will require the immediate purchase of the following equipment:

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Clause 4 continued

66	New Gauges @ \$17.50 each plus tax	\$1212.75
22	New Gauges (no Regulators) @ \$17.50 + tax	404.25
40	Valves @ \$48.50 each plus tax	2037.00
10	M.S.A. Ultra-view Face pieces @ \$60.50 (tax included)	605.00
4	Scotteramic Face pieces @ \$51.85 (tax incl.)	207.40

First Aid Supplies & First Aid Kits:-

The recently revised First Aid Regulations require the addition of larger bandages A, F and H to all existing First Aid Kits as well as the installation of First Aid Kits on 7 vehicles not previously required to carry them.

This necessitates the following:-

96	Packets "A", "F", and "H" Dressings, etc.	218.88
7	First Aid Kits @ \$11.00	77.00

Modifications to Firetruck Exhaust Systems:-

The exhaust system on 24 firetrucks was found to be discharging in the area of the pump panel, in contravention of the new regulations. Exhaust extensions will be installed to divert the exhaust discharge to a safe area.

Units Requiring change-over 24 @ \$40.00 each	960.00
(No labour charge as work being done internally)	

Modifications to Fire Halls:-

The inspection showed that many of the scaffold planks and supports held at each fire hall did not meet the minimum requirements of the Provincial Regulations and thus it is recommended that instead of equipping all fire halls with new scaffolding, in order to minimize the cost of complying with the Board order, one set of metal scaffolding and step ladders be purchased for use throughout all fire halls.

Additional costs will be incurred as a result of a Board order to improve and repair where necessary tower ladders and platforms within the fire halls, this includes the installation of additional platform handrails and intermediary rails.

This carpentry work can not be handled by the existing staff, thus additional labour costs are involved.

Selected common Fir lumber	135.00
Scaffold Planks 30 - 2 x 12 rough 12' @ \$9.00	270.00
Metal scaffolding complete with 6" skids	1874.88
Step ladders 4 @ \$58.75	235.00
Labour costs 90 hours @ \$9.49 per hour	854.10

Fire Coats & Helmets - Upgrading:-

The inspection showed that the current coat and helmet replacement program, the costs of which have been included in the annual budgets, has not kept pace with the depreciation through general wear and tear and thus an order was issued for the immediate replacement of 70 turn-out coats and the renewal of reflective tape on many others.

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Clause 4 continued

70 coats @ \$45.00	3150.00
Reflective tape - 3 rolls @ \$38.00	114.00
50 rolls @ \$ 7.50	375.00
Reflective tape - 2 rolls @ \$22.50	45.00
	<u>\$12775.26</u>

The City Safety Officer accompanied the Compensation Board Inspectors throughout their inspection and concurs with the items listed and states that all items are consistant with the generally accepted standards and precautions taken to reduce the incidence of injury causing accidents to firefighters both in maintenance and training exercises and at firefighting activities.

These expenses were not anticipated in the preparation of the budget and it will be necessary to provide additional funds to meet these legal requirements. A review of the Fire Department budget has been made and through internal transfers of funds, the requirements for "First Aid Supplies and Kits", "Modifications to Firetruck Exhaust Systems" and "Modifications to Fire Halls" can be met without additional funds. Additional funds in the amount of \$8,150.40 will be required, however, to meet all requirements of the Worker's Compensation Board.

The Comptroller of Accounts advises that, if approved, the necessary funds will be made available from Contingency Reserve.

The Fire Chief Recommends that the sum of \$8,150.40 be made available from Contingency Reserve to cover the purchase of equipment and protective clothing required by the Worker's Compensation Board."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS the foregoing be approved.

5. Twice Annual Tax Billing:
Mailing of 1975 Advance Tax Bills

The Director of Finance reports as follows:

"In April, 1974 City Council approved a report from the Director of Finance which contained a recommendation that the City purchase outside mailing services for the preparatory processing and subsequent mailing of the 1974 property tax bills.

Our first experience with this type of service has been very satisfactory. The entire mailing operation, completed within one week, consisted of folding and inserting 95,000 property tax bills and information brochures into envelopes; and stamping, sealing and delivering these envelopes to the Post Office. In the past this operation has required eight clerical weeks of effort over a three week period. The result of which has been a loss of general office efficiency and a lessening of our ability to provide adequate customer service within the Property Tax Branch.

In December of this year, the 1975 advance property tax bills will be ready for mailing. Because this is the first mailing associated with the twice annual property tax billing system we plan to include an explanatory information brochure and also a self-addressed business reply postage-paid envelope to encourage payment by return mail. In consideration of the planned volume, approximately 380,000 items, and the need for expeditious processing of this mailing in order to avoid conflict with the Christmas rush, I propose that the City contract this operation to an outside firm. It is also important to consider that at this time in the tax year, early December, the Property Tax Branch will be preparing for the annual year-end closing and reporting of tax data. The required demand in clerical effort, if in-house mailing were considered, would seriously hamper these on-going tax operations.

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Clause 5 continued

I therefore recommend—

That City Council approve the purchase of outside mailing services for the 1975 advance tax billing at an approximate cost of \$3,000, these funds to be provided from Contingency Reserve, and that in the future this service be provided in the Departmental budget and be subject to review by the Budget Committee."

Your City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing report of the Director of Finance be approved.

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PERSONNEL MATTERS**A-8**RECOMMENDATIONS1. Personnel Regulation No. 95 - Gratuity Plan

The Director of Personnel Services reports as follows:

"The Personnel Services Department is presently completing a review of the Personnel Regulations in order to more accurately reflect the current procedures.

In thus doing, I have revised Regulation No. 95, "Gratuity Plan". A copy is attached. Other copies have been forwarded to the Unions involved."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS approval of the revised regulation.

2. Conference - Canadian Rehabilitation Council for the Disabled; Attendance: One Health Department Member

The Director of Personnel Services reports as follows:

"In November of 1973, the Canadian Rehabilitation Council for the Disabled called a Conference in Toronto. Mrs. L.N. Foster, Co-ordinator, Volunteers in Nursing and Boarding Homes, attended for British Columbia. She was one of six persons to be appointed to a National Steering Committee which has met in Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver to carry out the mandate of the National Conference.

Mrs. Foster was requested to prepare a position paper on the needs of the Disabled in the field of Social Services. The opportunity to present her paper, as the only representative from Western Canada, to the Hon. Marc Lalonde arose abruptly on August 15 & 16, 1974.

This was of particular benefit to the Co-ordinator of Volunteers' program concerning the elderly and disabled. Mrs. Foster had an opportunity to voice directly to the Minister many unmet needs apparent in the community.

The Medical Health Officer requests retroactive approval for Leave of Absence with Pay for August 14, 15 & 16, 1974 (Aug. 14 - travelling time to Ottawa) for Mrs. Foster's attendance at this meeting. All expenses were paid by the Federal Government.

This request is not covered by approved Personnel Regulations. I recommend retroactive approval of this leave of absence with pay."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the above recommendation of the Director of Personnel Services be approved.

3. Proposed New Position of Claims Supervisor

The Director of Legal Services reports as follows:

"The handling of claims brought against the City has been a function of the Law Department and has generally been assigned to the junior solicitor in the Department. The work was not full time and therefore he was still able to perform his other duties of a more 'legal' character. One of the disadvantages was that as personnel changed, so changed the person doing the work.

Within the last two years the claims have doubled in volume. In addition, the recent insurance report, which was adopted by Council, now has the City self-insuring for the first \$25,000.00 deductible. The insurance is directed more to the calamity than to the ordinary routine claims. Furthermore it is highly likely that the Law

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Clause #3 continued:

Reform Commission's recommendation that many existing defences available to municipalities should be eliminated will be adopted in some form or another.

The claims work now occupies a very substantial amount of the solicitor's time and eventually will be full time, and I do not feel that this is a sensible deployment of the efforts of a highly-trained legal specialist.

I believe that the volume and character of this function now justifies hiring a professionally-trained claims person who could take over the task from the solicitor, thus freeing him for work more in line with his training. I suggest, therefore, that an existing Solicitor I position be dropped and a Claims Supervisor position substituted. As the complement of the Department would remain the same, I see no space or secretarial assistance problems.

I THEREFORE RECOMMEND:

- A. that one existing Solicitor I position be dropped;
- B. that a new position of Claims Supervisor be established;
- C. that the Director of Personnel Services prepare a class specification and establish a pay scale subject to the approval of the City Manager."

The City Manager RECOMMENDS that the foregoing report of the Director of Legal Services be approved by Council.

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City Manager's Report, September 20, 1974.....(PROPERTIES-1)

PROPERTY MATTERS

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. LEASE RENEWAL -
10' Widening Strips adjacent to
Lots 1 & 2, Sub. 1, Block 6, D.L. 526
Situated S/E Corner 41st & Granville Street

The Supervisor of Property & Insurance reports as follows:-

"Two widening strips formerly the Northerly 10' of Lot 1 and the Westerly 10' of Lots 1 & 2, Sub. 1, Block 6, D.L. 526, situated at the Southeast corner of 41st Avenue and Granville Street, were dedicated to the City of Vancouver by Home Oil Distributors Ltd. for future widening of 41st Avenue and Granville Street. These strips were leased back to Home Oil Distributors Ltd. for a 10 year term expiring on August 31, 1974 subject to six month's notice of cancellation if required for Civic purposes.

In response to a request from the lessees, the City Engineer has advised that he approves a 5 year extension subject to all the other conditions as contained in the present lease. The term has been reduced to five years as the physical widening of the street may be within that period.

RECOMMENDED that those portions of the South side of 41st Avenue and the East side of Granville Street formerly the North 10' of Lot 1 and the West 10' of Lots 1 & 2, Sub. 1, Block 6, D.L. 526 be leased to Home Oil Distributors Ltd. for a five year term commencing on September 1, 1974 subject to the same terms and conditions as contained in the present agreement, at the nominal sum of \$10.00 for the term."

The City Manager

RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Supervisor of Property and Insurance be approved.

2. ACQUISITION FOR PARK SITE #7
1140 Comox Street
W. 1/2 of Lot 5, Block 23, D.L. 185

The Supervisor of Property and Insurance reports as follows:-

"The West Half of Lot 5, Block 23, District Lot 185, known as 1140 Comox Street, has been offered for sale to the City by the owner. This property forms part of Park Site #7, which is listed under Table II of Park Site Purchases Program 1971-1975, confirmed by City Council on December 15, 1970.

These premises comprise a 2 1/2-storey frame dwelling with a main floor area of 1,120 square feet +, erected in 1905 on a lot 33' x 131', zoned RM-4A. The dwelling contains 11 rooms, (divided into 9 rental units), 7 plumbing fixtures, has a patent shingle roof, wood siding exterior, concrete foundation, full basement, and is heated by an automatic oil-fired furnace. This dwelling is in fair condition. The units are being rented on a month-to-month basis and the rental of this property will continue until the land is required for park purposes.

Following negotiations with the representative of the owner, he has agreed to sell for the sum of \$60,000.00 with the date of sale being August 31, 1974, and subject to the owner retaining rent-free possession until September 30, 1974. This price is considered to be fair and equitable. The Superintendent of Parks and Public Recreation concurs in the purchase of this property.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Supervisor of Property and Insurance be authorized to acquire the property known as 1140 Comox Street for the sum of \$60,000.00 on the foregoing basis, chargeable to Code #4189/- Park Board Clearing Account."

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Clause 2 (Cont'd)

The City Manager

RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Supervisor of Property and Insurance be approved.

3. ACQUISITION FOR REPLOTING AND
FUTURE BOUNDARY ROAD WIDENING
Lot 6, Blocks 104 to 106
District Lots 36 and 51.
4561 Boundary Road

The Supervisor of Property and Insurance reports as follows:-

"The above property, (Lot 6, Blocks 104 to 106, District Lots 36 and 51), which is one of seven remaining privately-owned properties facing Boundary Road between 29th Avenue and Moscrop Street, has been offered for sale to the City. At some future date, the East 34 feet of this property will be required for the widening of Boundary Road, with the balance of the property to be included in a new subdivision of this block.

These premises comprise a one and three-quarters storey frame dwelling, with full basement, and having a main floor area of 610 square feet, erected in 1910 on a lot 33' x 122', zoned R.S.1. The dwelling contains 3 rooms on the main floor plus 2 rooms upstairs, 5 plumbing fixtures, has a patent shingle roof, asbestos shake exterior, a concrete foundation, and is heated by an automatic gas-fired furnace. This dwelling has not been maintained and is in poor condition.

Following negotiations with the owner's representative, he has agreed to sell for the sum of \$33,000.00 as of September 30, 1974, subject to the owner retaining rent-free possession to November 15, 1974. This price is considered to be fair and equitable. It is proposed to demolish the dwelling when vacant because of its poor condition.

RECOMMENDED

THAT the Supervisor of Property and Insurance be authorized to acquire the property known as 4561 Boundary Road for the sum of \$33,000.00 on the foregoing basis, chargeable to Code #4912/458."

The City Manager

RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Supervisor of Property and Insurance be approved.

4. ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE -
Spur Track Agreement, Crossing Kent
Avenue South to serve Lot B, Block
13, D.L. 322, situated southwest
corner of Main Street and Kent Avenue South

The Supervisor of Property and Insurance reports as follows:-

"On December 12, 1968, the City of Vancouver entered into an agreement with Evans Products Company Ltd., permitting the construction of a C.P.R. spur track across Kent Avenue South to serve Lot B, Block 13, D.L. 322, at the southwest corner of Main Street and Kent Avenue South.

Lot B, Block 13, D.L. 322 has been sold to Block Brothers Contractors Ltd. as of May 31, 1974, and their solicitors have requested consent to an assignment of the subject agreement in accordance with the terms as contained therein.

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Clause 4 (Cont'd)

RECOMMENDED That
the City consent to the assignment of the agreement dated
December 12, 1968, in the name of Evans Products Company
Limited to Block Brothers Contractors Ltd., subject to the
forms of assignment being satisfactory to the Supervisor of
Property and Insurance and the Director of Legal Services."

The City Manager

RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Supervisor of
Property and Insurance be approved.

5. PARKING RATE INCREASE FOR CITY-OWNED PARKING SITE,
Lots 24-32 inclusive, Block 35, D.L. 541
Situating on the northeast corner of Dunsmuir
and Richards Streets, also Lots 12-16 inclu-
sive, Block 55, D.L. 541, Situated East side
Richards Street between Robson and Georgia
Streets
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The Supervisor of Property and Insurance and the City Engineer
report as follows:-

- "A. The City-owned parking site, Lots 24-32 inclusive, Block
35, D.L. 541, situated on the northeast corner of Dunsmuir
and Richards Streets, was purchased out of the parking
meter fund and developed by the City. Since purchase, it
has been advertised by tender. The present lessee, Metro
Parking Ltd., was awarded the management contract for a
five year term, April 1st, 1971 - March 31st, 1976, at a
flat rate of \$3,500.00 per month, or 75% of the gross receipts
per month, whichever is the greater.
- B. City-owned parking site, Lots 12-16 inclusive, Block 55,
D.L. 541, situated east side Richards Street between
Robson and Georgia Streets was acquired in 1950 as part
of the million dollar parking by-law. The site was put
to tender at that time, developed and operated by Gillette
Brothers, in conjunction with their privately-owned adjoining
lots. The current lease is for a five year term
commencing on January 19th, 1971 at a rental of \$1,300.00
per month or 70% of 1/2 of the total gross parking revenue
derived from the operation of the combined private and
City site. Lease was recently assigned to Imperial Parking
Ltd.

Both lots are operated at rates set down in accordance with
the former Vancouver Parking Commission at that time, namely,
15¢ for the first hour, 20¢ for the second, 25¢ per hour
thereafter, maximum daily charge \$1.60. Evening parking
rate and monthly contract parking rate to be left to the
discretion of the operator.

By Resolution of Council dated April 23rd, 1974, five
City-owned lots managed by the Downtown Parking Corporation
and operating under the same terms as the above sites,
were increased to 15¢ and 20¢ per 1/2 hour and varying
maximum rates from \$1.50 to \$3.00 depending upon location.
Both Metro Parking Ltd. and Imperial Parking Ltd. have
indicated that rising costs due to inflation resulted in
parking revenues barely meeting their rental obligations.

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Clause 5 (Cont'd)

We, therefore, request that the rate structure set out in their original agreements be changed from the former Vancouver Parking Commission rates to the present rate structure charged by the Downtown Parking Corporation on Richards and Georgia Streets, that is 15¢ per 1/2 hour and a \$2.00 maximum.

The Supervisor of Property and Insurance and the City Engineer have reviewed the lessees' requests and are of the opinion that they have a valid reason in view of recent developments, and

RECOMMENDED that the rate increase as shown above be approved."

The City Manager

RECOMMENDS that the foregoing recommendation of the Supervisor of Property and Insurance and the City Engineer be approved.

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Department Report, September 20, 1974 (BUILDING - 1)

BUILDING & PLANNING MATTERS

RECOMMENDATION

1. Point Grey Road Property Acquisition Program

The Director of Planning reports as follows:

"On July 31, 1973 City Council resolved that the present policy of reporting all applications for development permits on the north side of Point Grey Road be continued.

A development permit application (#66377) dated April 8, 1974 has been received to add to a single-family dwelling at 3513 Point Grey Road; this is an outright use in the R5-2 zone.

On June 11, 1974 City Council instructed the Director of Planning to report back on alternative development schemes for this area. If any of the schemes introduced in this area involve property acquisition, approval of this development will make property acquisition more expensive at a later date.

On June 11, 1974 City Council also resolved that a development permit at 3019 Point Grey Road not be issued for a conditional use unless the northerly five feet of property was dedicated to the City for \$1.00; this insured future public access to the beach.

The Kitsilano Planning Committee has reviewed this proposal and recommend it be approved, however, the owner be requested to dedicate to the City the northerly five feet of property."

The Director of Planning RECOMMENDS that the recommendation of the Kitsilano Planning Committee be approved.

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Department Report, September 20, 1974 (CLAIMS - 1)

LICENSES & CLAIMS MATTERS

CONSIDERATION:

1. Re P.C. #540 Blythe, T.E.: Legal Expenses

The Director of Legal Services reports as follows:

"The following resolution of the Police Commission has been received from the Secretary to the Commission:

'THAT the account of Mulligan, Hogan & Co. in the amount of \$350. for professional services rendered by Mr. J. W. Hogan in connection with the defence of P.C. 540 Blythe, T.E., on a charge of Common Assault be submitted to City Council with a recommendation for payment under the terms of Section 472 of the Vancouver Charter.'

The circumstances surrounding this matter have been reported as follows:

'On April 8, 1973, two informations were laid alleging common assault by PC 540 Blythe as a result of an information affirmed by Martha Geisbrecht, (1) 04941 common assault, and, (2) 04940 assault causing bodily harm.

This incident arose out of the arrest of Martha Geisbrecht and the charging of this person with:

- Count 1 - theft under \$50.00
- Count 2 - possession of stolen property under \$50.00
- Count 3 - assault of Police Constable #540 Blythe.

The Supreme Court Registry advises that on February 25, 1974, Martha Geisbrecht was tried by Judge and Jury. The Jury returned with guilty counts on Count 1 and Count 3. Judge Shultz sentenced Martha Geisbrecht on Count 1 to pay a fine of \$200.00 or 2 months, and on Count 3 to suspend sentence and be placed on probation for 3 years.

On March 1, 1974, Assistant City Prosecutor Mr. Kerry Smith, discussed this case with City Prosecutor, Mr. A.S. McMorran, and a stay of proceedings was entered on each count against Police Constable #540 Blythe.'

The account, when compared with similar previous occurrences, does not appear out of line. If taxed, I doubt that the Taxing Officer would reduce it.

The above recommendation is therefore submitted for Council's CONSIDERATION."

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FIRE AND TRAFFIC MATTERS

RECOMMENDATION

1. Traffic Signal Modifications:
Hastings and Cassiar Streets

At the City Council meeting on March 12, 1974, a portion of clause five of the Official Traffic Commission report dated February 28, 1974, which dealt with proposed signal modification at the intersection of Hastings and Cassiar Streets as part of the 1974 Signal Program was deferred for further explanation by the City Engineer.

The City Engineer reports as follows:

"The intersection of Hastings and Cassiar Streets does not have the capacity to handle the freeway link traffic volumes (between the Freeway and the Second Narrows Bridge) along with the normal arterial street volumes. The congested situation along Cassiar Street was for some time considered a temporary condition which would be relieved when the Provincial Government undertook to construct either the freeway link or grade separation at the intersection of Hastings and Cassiar Streets.

During the past ten years we made repeated examinations of the traffic volumes and flows at Hastings and Cassiar Streets to determine the merits of providing separate signal control for the left turn movements. Each examination concluded that this form of traffic signal control during peak travel periods could add to both the overall vehicle delay along Cassiar Street and the congestion at the intersection of Hastings and Cassiar Streets; the reason for this is simply that during the period when each motorist receives a green indication specifically for left turns, three "through" motorists are being delayed.

This viewpoint is still valid, but it must now be tempered with the knowledge that conditions along Cassiar Street are no longer temporary. Now that we have been advised that the Provincial Government has no plans to construct either the freeway link or grade separation, we have reviewed the intersection control arrangement with a view to optimizing the signal equipment.

The proposed signal modifications should not be considered as a cure for conditions at this intersection. These changes will merely alter the relative delay between "left turning" and "through" motorists. Whereas the left turns now take place during the clearance or amber interval, and as a result are delayed, separate signal indications will permit more left turns (at the expense of delaying through motorists).

With the traffic control equipment now available, we can have the flexibility of satisfying the left turn demand for the most part of the day, with a different lesser allocation of time for the separate left turn movement during peak periods. This then means that the signal equipment will provide efficiently for all traffic movements, say for 20 hours each day, but during the peak a.m. and p.m. periods may have to function in a similar manner to the existing signal equipment. This flexibility permits us to have a situation which is equal to or better than the existing with respect to length of vehicle line-ups on the approach to Cassiar and Hastings Streets during heavy traffic flow.

By satisfying a greater portion of the left turn demand, there will be a reduction in the present practice of left turning motorists using residential streets to by-pass the intersection of Hastings and Cassiar Streets. An equally important benefit is that separate left turn signal control will reduce the unfavourable trend of accidents at this intersection involving left turning motorists. In 1973 alone, this intersection had 58 reported accidents of which 23 involved left turning vehicles and therefore, correctable by this form of signal modification. The property damage in these 23 accidents totalled \$19,560.

It should also be noted that the traffic volume pressure felt along Cassiar Street might be lessened if a suitable means of metering the traffic volume onto Cassiar Street from the freeway could be found. Accordingly, we propose to examine this closely to see if this concept can be applied to this portion of Cassiar Street.

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that this matter of signal modifications deferred on March 12 be approved for installation as part of the 1974 Signal Program."

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INFORMATION

2. Traffic Arrangements During Construction of the Provincial Government Complex (Blocks 51, 61 and 71)

The City Engineer reports as follows:

"Construction of the Provincial Government complex on Blocks 51, 61 and 71, including a truck tunnel under Howe Street, is scheduled to commence about October, 1974. The work will be carried out in several phases, and will involve significant disruption of normal traffic flows in the area. Construction arrangements have been worked out jointly between Concordia Management and the Engineering Department to minimize public inconvenience while permitting construction activity. This report outlines these traffic arrangements and provides approximate time schedules for the various phases.

Howe Street

With respect to the normal Howe Street alignment, generally the contractor will occupy the westerly sidewalk and curb lane with the exception of a bus stop which will be located north of Nelson Street. At the bus stop the hoarding will be located 8 feet behind the curb for a distance of 145 feet.

Occupation of the curb lane on Howe from Smithe Street to the Courthouse will be from early 1975 to late 1976. Occupation of the curb lane from Nelson to Smithe will be from early 1975 until late 1977. It will not be possible to make any provision to offset the loss of one traffic lane on Howe Street.

Hornby Street

Generally the contractor will occupy the easterly sidewalk and curb lane except for a bus stop just north of Nelson Street and a bus stop just south of Robson Street. At these bus stops the hoarding will be relocated 8 feet behind the curb for a distance of 110 feet at each location.

Occupation of the curb lane between Smithe and Robson will commence near the end of 1974, and between Robson and the Courthouse, around the middle of 1975. Use of the sidewalk and curb lane at these two locations will be returned to the public late in 1976. The contractor will occupy the curb lane between Nelson and Smithe from early 1975 to late 1977. The loss of the curb lane on the east side of Hornby Street will not reduce traffic capacity, since the present metered parking on the west side of Hornby will be denied during rush hours.

Nelson Street

The contractor will occupy the northerly sidewalk and curb lane (10 feet) between Howe and Hornby Streets from early 1975 until late 1977. There will not be any loss of traffic capacity, since the contractor will occupy the present parking lane.

Smithe Street

During various stages of construction, pedestrian and vehicular facilities on Smithe Street will be relocated to facilitate different phases of the work. However, a minimum of four traffic lanes (each lane to be 10 feet wide) and one pedestrian sidewalk will be maintained at all times.

Robson Street

On June 5, 1974, City Council approved the closure of Robson Street to all traffic from Hornby to Howe in February, 1975, to facilitate construction of the Provincial Government complex. This closure is now scheduled to take place in May of 1975, and will be permanent for automobile traffic. We see no way of preventing the congestion that will result from this closure.

During the construction closure, pedestrians on Robson Street will be diverted via a pedestrian walkway immediately south of the existing Courthouse. This pedestrian diversion will be required until a pedestrian sidewalk can be again provided on Robson Street, estimated to be around early 1976.

Bus operation should return to Robson Street around the middle of 1976.

On-street construction arrangements will be in accordance with the City of Vancouver Traffic Control Manual For Work On City Streets.

The City Engineer submits the above report to Council for INFORMATION."

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON WATERFRONT AND ENVIRONMENT

September 5, 1974

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Waterfront and Environment was held on Thursday, September 5, 1974, in #1 Committee Room, third floor, City Hall, at approximately 10:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Alderman Pendakur (Chairman)
Alderman Linnell
Alderman Massey
Alderman Gibson

ABSENT: Commissioner DuMoulin

CLERK: M. Cross

The Minutes of the Meeting of August 29, 1974, were adopted.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Progress Report - North Arm of the Fraser River

Mr. Ross Macdonald of the Planning Department advised that the report of the Director of Planning dated August 22, 1974, is a progress report on the work carried out to date on a comprehensive study of the North Arm of the Fraser River. He stated that the interim policy guidelines in the report expanded on the policy for public access to the Fraser River adopted by Council on December 11, 1973.

The Committee

RECOMMENDED

THAT Council adopt the following interim policy guidelines for the development of the Fraser River shoreline:

- (a) in future, development and/or redevelopment on the shoreline should be confined to water users or for recreation only.
- (b) recreational amenities such as walkways, lookouts, setbacks and landscaping, etc., should be requested of existing industries, where possible, and encouraged.
- (c) strategic land acquisition should be considered as opportunities arise: e.g. the City might purchase an existing industrial site and develop a compatible industrial/recreational use or try to encourage non-water users to relocate on available City-owned land in the south-east section of Marine Drive.
- (d) for the immediate future, street end parks, walkways, viewpoints, cycle-paths, etc., should be developed in a few selected locations.
- (e) the study area will include all lands south of Marine Drive.

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Clause No.1 continued

FURTHER THAT the Director of Planning be instructed to report back to the Committee with respect to amending the Zoning and Development Bylaw to provide for

- (a) public access along the waterfront
- (b) setbacks along the shoreline
- (c) compatible landscaping to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning adjacent or nearby City-owned property
- (d) view protection from existing streets when land consolidation by industries occurs.

2. Columbia Containers

At its meeting of August 15, 1974, the Committee resolved:

"THAT the Director of Planning report to the next meeting of the Committee on why Columbia Containers' facility has not yet been painted."

The Chairman stated that Columbia Containers had appeared before the Environment Committee and Council and had agreed to paint the facility. Council requested that the colour be to the satisfaction of the Urban Design Panel, who have since recommended a light grey colour. The Committee felt that the two community groups which appeared before Council should be informed that the Urban Design Panel has recommended light grey and that the Director of Permits and Licenses will be requesting Columbia Containers to comply with the condition of their development permit requiring them to paint the facility.

On August 15, 1974, the Committee also resolved:

"THAT the Director of Planning report to the next meeting of the Committee on whether there are features in the existing City Zoning Bylaw to provide for environmental considerations."

The Chairman noted that whenever the Committee considers the development permit application for a development in the waterfront areas they have to question why no landscaping has been provided. It was the opinion of the Committee that landscaping should be an automatic condition of any development along the Fraser River or on the Burrard Inlet waterfront.

Mr. Gray advised that with respect to outright uses there is no provision in the Bylaw to require landscaping. On conditional use developments landscaping could be required as one of the conditions of the development permit application.

RECOMMENDED

THAT the Director of Planning be instructed to

- (a) require the provision of landscaping treatment as a condition of development permit applications for all conditional use developments along the Fraser River and the Burrard Inlet waterfronts.
- (b) bring forward an amendment to the Zoning and Development Bylaw to require outright use developments along the Fraser River and Burrard Inlet waterfronts to enhance general amenity and public interest by providing landscaping, suitable planting and treatment of buildings.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.

PART REPORT TO COUNCIL
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON
SOCIAL SERVICES

September 5, 1974

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Social Services was held in the No. 1 Committee Room, Third Floor, City Hall, on Thursday, September 5, 1974, at 1:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Alderman Rankin, Chairman
Alderman Gibson
Alderman Marzari

ABSENT: Alderman Hardwick (Civic Business)

CLERK: H. Dickson

INFORMATION:

1. Vancouver Women's Health Collective - Zoning Problem

The Committee had before it for consideration the attached letter dated August 26, 1974, and brief, which outlines the Vancouver Women's Health Collective's problem in that their house at 4197 John Street does not conform to existing by-laws. City Zoning Planner, H.W. Gray, appeared before the Committee and stated the Technical Planning Board has rejected the Collective's application for a development permit to remain there because an adjacent neighbour expressed opposition. He added the Collective has appealed this rejection to the Board of Variance.

Claudia MacDonald, spokesman for the Collective, told the Committee the Collective now has a letter of support from the neighbour who previously objected to the Collective's use of the building.

Following discussion, it was,

RESOLVED,

THAT the Vancouver Women's Health Collective be asked to withdraw their appeal to the Board of Variance, make a new application to the Technical Planning Board for a development permit for one year, subject to renewal, and that the Committee ask the Technical Planning Board to look favourably on the Collective's application for a one year permit to use the premises at 4197 John Street.

2. Royal Rooms - 237 Main Street - Lease Increase

Owner, Dong Sai Hong, has increased his lease to rooming-house operator, Kwok Tong Quan, from \$575 a month to \$990 a month. At its meeting on August 29, 1974, the Committee heard from both parties and resolved to defer the matter until a list of rental rates was submitted by Mr. Quan.

The Committee had before it for consideration a list of rental rates and letter from Miss Nora Lowe, Mr. Quan's representative. Also before the Committee was a letter from Mr. D. Chong on behalf of Mr. Dong Sai Hong.

During discussion the Committee noted the Interim Rent Stabilization Act does not apply to this type of commercial arrangement between the building owner and the building operator. The Committee told the operators it has no power to deal with this problem. It was noted that the 54 rooms are rented primarily to elderly welfare recipients and pensioners.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED,

THAT the Committee write to the B. C. Rentalsman and the

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Attorney General and ask that they examine this problem and determine a suitable length of lease period, and increase of lease, and whether there are funds available for a subsidy, and report their decision to the Social Services Committee as soon as possible.

3. Vancouver Indian Centre Society

Council in April approved a grant of \$16,500 toward the Society's request for \$29,379. Subsequently, the Society requested an additional grant of \$12,879 and Council on June 11, 1974, referred this matter to the Social Services Committee.

The Chairman advised the Committee a meeting was held this morning and it was agreed additional information is required before the Committee can consider this additional grant. He advised that the item, therefore, is deferred to the Social Services Committee meeting of September 12, 1974.

INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATION

4. Residents of 400 Block East 15th Avenue - Eviction Notice

Residents of five houses in the above block have been given notice to vacate by September 30, 1974, to permit an extension to Mount St. Joseph Hospital.

Mr. Norm Barth, Director of Hospital Planning for G.V.R.D. told the Committee Mount St. Joseph Hospital has been given approval by B. C. Hospital Insurance Services to proceed immediately with its construction-management extension program, and that the property is required October 1, 1974.

He said construction would start a week to ten days after the residents of the five homes have vacated, and that the hospital is currently interviewing candidates for the position of construction manager.

A representative of Canada Trust, which rents out the houses, stated residents were given as much notice as possible and that notice to vacate by September 30, 1974, was given August 7, 1974. He stated his company is attempting to find new accommodation for the residents.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED,

THAT consideration of this item be deferred to the next meeting, Thursday, September 12, 1974, and in the interim Mr. Barth provide the Committee with confirming evidence of the date of the beginning of construction and that the Supervisor of Property and Insurance advise the Committee on what assistance, financial or otherwise, the City may provide in relocating the residents.

And it was

RECOMMENDED,

THAT the City take the five houses in the 400 Block East 1st Avenue which are to be demolished for an expansion to Mt. St. Joseph Hospital off the Tax Roll at the end of 1974.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:30 p.m.

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REPORT TO COUNCILSTANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON CIVIC DEVELOPMENT

September 5, 1974

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Civic Development was held on Thursday, September 5, 1974, in the #1 Committee Room, third floor, City Hall, at approximately 3:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Alderman Hardwick (Chairman)
Alderman Massey
Alderman Bowers
Alderman Pendakur

CLERK: G. Barden

RECOMMENDATION1. Downtown Vancouver Study

On August 27, 1974, City Council referred a section from the current draft of the Downtown Study entitled "Procedure for Control of Development" to the Standing Committee of Council on Civic Development for consideration and report prior to distribution for public discussion and consideration.

This draft section describes a number of alternative ways of changing the present process of control and development including the development of a Hearing Board to assume in part the functions of the Technical Planning Board and a Working Committee to expand the Development Permit Sub-Committee.

The Downtown Study Team presented a summary of the current draft on Section 2 "Procedures for Control of Development" dated September 4, 1974. (Copy circulated)

The Committee discussed the five steps proposed to provide an efficient economic procedure for control of development in the Downtown. These steps are described in detail in the summary noted above.

The Committee centred their discussion on the proposed "Working Committee" and "Urban Development Board" and made the following amendments:

- (i) the Working Committee would consist of staff officials chaired by the Director of Planning or his nominee.
- (ii) the Urban Development Board would consist of five members appointed by the City Council for three-year terms overlapping.

After further discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

- (a) **THAT** the section of the Downtown Study entitled "Procedure for Control of Development" as outlined in the summary be approved, as amended above, for circulation to the City Manager, other City Departments and interested public groups for reaction and comments to the Director of Planning.

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Clause #1 continued:

- (b) THAT the Director of Planning report back to the Committee in 30 days on the comments received.

2. Heritage Designation - List of Buildings

The Committee had for consideration a report of the Vancouver Heritage Advisory Board dated September 3, 1974, with attached list of 24 buildings the Board was requesting Council to designate as heritage structures.

A memorandum from the City Manager dated September 5, 1974, was distributed at the meeting advising that the No.2 Firehall building at 270 East Cordova, included in the above list, is being sold. Funds from the sale would be used as part of the cost of construction of a new No.2 Firehall at Main and Powell Streets.

Discussion took place on heritage preservation of entire buildings or facades only and whether grounds, interiors, certain floors, etc. would be included. The Committee agreed that advertisements for the Public Meeting should advise that exteriors only would be designated for heritage preservation except where specifically noted in the list of buildings.

Following discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

THAT the list of 24 buildings be referred to a Public Meeting prior to Council designating them as heritage structures.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:15 p.m.

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REPORT TO COUNCILOFFICIAL TRAFFIC COMMISSION

September 11, 1974

A meeting of the Official Traffic Commission was held in the No. 1 Committee Room, Third Floor, City Hall on Wednesday, September 11, 1974 at approximately 10:00 a.m.

<u>PRESENT:</u>	Alderman Marzari (Chairman) Mr. K. Dobell, Assistant City Engineer, Traffic and Transportation Mr. R. G. Jackson for Director of Legal Services Trustee H. Boyce, Vancouver School Board Supt. D. W. McRae, Traffic Division, Vancouver Police Department
<u>ALSO PRESENT:</u>	Mr. W. Curtis, City Engineer Mr. J. McLewin, Traffic Operations Engineer
<u>ABSENT:</u>	Alderman Pendakur City Manager
<u>CLERK:</u>	G. Barden

Adoption of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held July 24, 1974 were adopted.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Knight Road Area and Traffic Light at 47th and Knight

On June 25, 1974 City Council in response to a delegation of the Knight Road Area Council referred the following items to the Official Traffic Commission for further consideration:

- "1. Stringently enforced speed controls (on Knight Street)
2. Pushbutton controlled traffic lights on marked crosswalks (at 29th, 37th, 47th and 62nd Avenues)
3. A well regulated traffic flow
4. Enforced truck restrictions
5. The Assistant City Engineer, Traffic and Transportation, consider what traffic safety measures can be implemented when the park is completed in the Knight Road Bridge area on the south side of Marine Drive."

The City Engineer submitted a report dated September 3, 1974 entitled 'Request for Further Traffic Controls on Knight Street South of King Edward Avenue', and recommended the following:

- "1. The Provincial Government be requested to reduce the bridge speed limit to 40 m.p.h.

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Clause #1 continued:

2. Installation of a pedestrian signal at 61st and Knight to be submitted to Council with the 1975 signal program
3. Other pedestrian signals requested on Knight not be approved at this time, pending a City wide review of similar situations."

Mr. Fred Miller, Chairman of the Knight Street Committee, urged that the Commission approve installation of a pedestrian signal at 37th and Knight. Mr. Dobell advised that the Engineering Department is presently investigating installation of additional signals on Knight Street in the second phase of their pedestrian signal study and this should be submitted to the Commission early in 1975. The installation of additional signals will have to be delayed as there is no equipment available at the present time. Mr. Dobell stated that overhead school signs are authorized for installation at 37th Avenue and felt no further treatment is required at present, although an illuminated sign with flasher could be installed if the Commission wished.

The Commission discussed the crossing problem at 37th and Knight and felt the situation was aggravated by a steep incline which presented a sight problem at this intersection.

With regard to the delegation's request for enforced truck restrictions Mr. Dobell advised that the matter has been under review in conjunction with a comprehensive investigation of the City's total truck system and a report will be presented directly to Council on October 1, 1974. Copies will be forwarded to all interested parties prior to the meeting.

The Police Department advised that they have been maintaining a high level of enforcement of speed controls on Knight Street including radar since the opening of the Knight Street bridge earlier this year. The Commission urged the Police Department to continue this surveillance until the report on Knight Street is completed. Supt. McRae assured the Commission that this surveillance would be continued.

Following further discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

1. The Provincial Government be requested to reduce the bridge speed limit to 40 m.p.h.
2. Installation of a pedestrian signal at 61st and Knight to be submitted to Council with the 1975 signal program
3. Other pedestrian signals requested on Knight not be approved at this time, pending a City wide review of similar situations.
4. THAT an overhead flasher be installed at 37th and Knight and the City Engineer review and report as to its effectiveness within a few months of installation, and funds up to \$1,500 be approved from Contingency Reserve for this installation.

2. Tisdall Street/45th Avenue - Oakridge Traffic

The City Engineer in a report dated September 5, 1974 advised that on July 24, 1974 the Official Traffic Commission considered a City Engineer's report dated May 24, 1974 on traffic conditions at Tisdall Street and 45th Avenue and approved the report in principle.

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Clause #2 continued:

The Commission requested the City Engineer to examine off-street routing patterns and survey the residents in the area for their reaction to the proposed closure of 45th Avenue crossings. A questionnaire was sent out to the residents on August 23, 1974; however, to ensure an adequate response particularly from people who might have been on holidays, results of the questionnaire will not be available until mid-September.

The City Engineer advised that the matter will be reported on at the next meeting of the Official Traffic Commission.

RECOMMENDED

THAT the report of the City Engineer dated September 3, 1974 be received for information.

3. Pedestrian Signals

The City Engineer submitted an 'Information Report on Pedestrian Signal Installations' dated August 29, 1974. The report states in part as follows:

"In June of this year City Council approved an Official Traffic Commission recommendation for the installation of 16 pedestrian signals. These 16 locations coupled with the three approved earlier as part of the 1974 signal program, bring to 19 the number of pedestrian signals approved in 1974, but still waiting for installation.

At the present time, there is sufficient equipment on hand to equip five intersections with pedestrian signal control, with the remainder scheduled for installation upon delivery of the ordered equipment.

The expected delivery date for the signal equipment on order will be delayed up to six months as the signal manufacturing companies are behind schedule due to labour strikes, work stoppages and other unforeseen delays.

Accordingly, we plan to have two locations equipped with pedestrian signal control for school opening this September, namely, 12th Avenue at Lakewood Street and Hastings at Skeena Street. Three other locations, 2nd Avenue at Columbia Street, Main Street at 28th Avenue and Cambie Street at 18th Avenue, will receive pedestrian signal control in September/October this year. Our work forces will proceed with preliminary installation work at the remaining 14 intersections so that the pedestrian signals will be installed and operating as soon as practical after delivery of equipment, now expected in early 1975."

Mr. Dobell noted that as a result of further delays in delivery of equipment, the two signals planned for school opening will now not be installed until early October.

Following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

THAT the City Engineer's report dated August 29, 1974 be received for information.

4. Pofi Bar - Charles Street and Commercial Drive

The City Engineer in a letter dated September 5, 1974 reported on the 'Need for Reserved Resident Parking in the 1700 Block Charles Street'. A petition was received in February, 1974 requesting a Resident-Parking-Only zone in the 1700 Block Charles Street. The City Engineer reported that parking densities were quite high; however,

Clause #4 continued:

space was usually available on both sides of the street. Also, at least 50% of the vehicles parked on any evening belonged to residents of the block. The City Engineer reported further that there is lane access to both sides of Charles Street and most residences have space available off these lanes. During observations these off-street spaces were never more than 50% occupied. The petitioners were advised that Resident-Parking-Only zones would not be established and if on occasion the parking densities did reach 100%, they should make use of the available off-street space. The City Engineer in response to this most recent request made further observations in this block and found conditions are virtually unchanged and therefore would still recommend that Resident-Parking-Only zones not be established in this block.

After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

- (i) THAT the City Engineer's recommendation contained in his report dated September 5, 1974 that Resident-Parking-Only zones not be established in the 1700 Block Charles Street be approved.
- (ii) THAT the matter be again reviewed next May and local residents be advised of this fact.

5. Bus Route - No. 21 Kerr Bus

A delegation of the Killarney Citizens for Action Committee submitted a complaint on the No. 21 Kerr bus using 45th Avenue instead of the original bus route on Kerr Street. They advised the situation is further aggravated by buses travelling west on 45th Avenue hitting a man-hole cover that is projecting up above the pavement. The pavement was built up around it previously but has since broken down.

The City Engineer advised that the matter of bus routes is presently being investigated with B.C. Hydro and a report will be submitted to Council as soon as possible.

The Commission requested that the Killarney Citizens for Action Committee be notified when Council will be considering the bus route report.

It was

RECOMMENDED

- (i) THAT the City Engineer investigate the situation.
- (ii) FURTHER THAT if it is possible to correct the problem by filling around the man-hole cover that this be done immediately.

6. 49th Avenue and Cypress Street/School Crosswalk

Trustee Boyce expressed concern that motorists are not paying enough attention to school children crossing 49th Avenue at Cypress Street to get to Maple Grove School and suggested that an overhead sign or crosswalk be installed.

RECOMMENDED

THAT the City Engineer investigate and report on the matter.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.



REPORT TO COUNCIL
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON SOCIAL SERVICES

September 12, 1974

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Social Services was held in No. 1 Committee Room, Third Floor, City Hall, on Thursday, September 12, 1974, at 1:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Alderman Rankin, Chairman
 Alderman Marzari
 Alderman Gibson
 Alderman Hardwick

COMMITTEE
CLERK: H. Dickson

Adoption of Minutes May 9 to September 5, 1974.

Minutes of Social Services Committee meetings held between May 9 and September 5, 1974 were adopted.

INFORMATION

1. Alleged Violations of City By-law No. 4790
(Commercial Rental Agencies)

At its previous meeting Red Door Rental Aid complained commercial rental agencies are violating City By-law No. 4790. Red Door representatives were told the City could not lay charges without signed affidavits.

The Committee had before it for consideration affidavits alleging violations of By-law No. 4790 by Homehunters, Rentex, and Timesavers.

The Chairman read a memo dated September 11, 1974, from the Director of Legal Services advising that the Rentex company has initiated Supreme Court proceedings for an Order quashing this By-law. This hearing is set for September 26, 1974.

It was,
 RESOLVED,

THAT the matter of the alleged violations of City By-law No. 4790 by Homehunters, Rentex, and Timesavers be deferred to the next Social Services meeting after September 26, 1974.

2. Grant Request and Development Education Resource Centre

The Committee had before it for consideration a report from the City Manager, concurring with the recommendation of the Director of Social Planning that no grant be made to the Development Education Resource Centre.

A representative of D.E.R.C. appeared to appeal this recommendation. She read a brief which explained Development Education Centre is made up of eight agencies and that the Centre's program will feature a library of films in a building at 2524 Cypress Street. She said that the Federal Government

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has pledged financial support through Canadian International Development Agency, (C.I.D.A.) and an approach has been made to the Provincial Government for additional funding.

A representative of the Social Planning Department said that the department does not dispute the value of the proposed service but recommends no grant because the program is in the field of education.

Following discussion it was,

RESOLVED

THAT the application of Development Education Resource Centre for funding be deferred until D.E.R.C. has been incorporated as a society; has received a reply to their application to the Provincial Government for funding; and has made and received a reply to an application to the School Board for funding.

RECOMMENDATION

3. Management of a Dangerous Patient

City Council on February 19, 1974 when dealing with a report from the Social Services Committee which included a report from the Medical Health Officer on Management of the Dangerous Patient, passed the following recommendations:

- A) "THAT the Council of the City of Vancouver request the Attorney-General to develop an assessment centre for potentially dangerous mentally ill persons as part of the Remand Centre to be located across from the new Courts;
- B) THAT the Provincial Government be asked to appoint or fund daily psychiatric services for the City Jail as soon as possible."

Council early in 1974 expressed concern over an apparent lack of treatment for mentally disturbed persons. Council wrote to the Minister of Health and also requested a report on this topic from the City's Medical Health Officer.

The Committee had before it for consideration a report from Medical Health Officer, Dr. G. Bonham which stated that psychiatric and other professional staff from the Strathcona Mental Health Treatment Team has been assigned to the City Jail and that it has been determined a full time psychiatrist and one or two mental health workers should be assigned to the jail full time.

Dr. Bonham's report also pointed out a Forensic Commission headed by Dr. F.G. Tucker, Deputy Minister of Mental Health, has been established by the Provincial Government and that a treatment centre will be established by the Commission where police may take persons for an assessment prior to a court appearance.

Dr. Bonham pointed out, however, that this does not provide for the problem of non-criminal acts by psychologically disturbed persons. The Committee was told the Vancouver General Hospital handles about nine hundred psychiatric emergencies a month and facilities at V.G.H. are limited. The Medical Health Officer suggested the Committee should recommend that Council urge the Provincial Forensic Commission to proceed immediately with establishment of a treatment centre.

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Following discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

THAT Council request the Provincial Forensic Commission to immediately provide funding for one psychiatrist and two mental health workers to be assigned full time to the City Jail and that the Forensic Commission proceed as soon as possible with establishment of an assessment and treatment clinic to take referrals from the Police Department.

4. Family Place - Grant Request, \$3,934 Per Month

The Committee had before it for consideration an application dated September 6, 1974, for \$19,670 to cover the cost of operation for the five months November, 1974 to March, 1975.

A representative of Family Place, a drop-in and counselling centre at 2505-21 Dunbar Street, reminded the Committee, Family Place appeared in April and was granted six months' interim funding by the City for \$20,000 less \$10,200 Canada Assistance Plan, to the end of October by which time it was expected the Resource Board would continue the financing.

However, the Community Resource Board for Dunbar - West Point Grey - Southlands, will not be able to make recommendations for funding until the fiscal year beginning April 1, 1975 and Family Place is seeking funding from Council for the period of November 1, 1974 to April 1, 1975.

A representative of the Social Planning Department pointed out Family Place is actually located on the fringe of what is known as the Dunbar - West Point Grey Community area.

The Social Planning Department spokesman indicated the lack of financial support of a number of organizations until April by the Vancouver Resource Board may cost the City a substantial amount. He stated the Social Planning Department currently has applications for grants totalling \$200,000 and suggested Council should examine this overall issue.

Terry Pyper, of Bayview Community School stated Family Place is two blocks from Bayview and six blocks from Carnarvon School, both of which offer services similar to Family Place.

The Committee noted that by turning down the request for interim funding the City could in effect prejudice the application which ultimately will be made to the Resource Board.

Following discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

THAT a grant of \$3,935 per month be made to Family Place for the two months of November and December, 1974. (Alderman Hardwick was recorded as voting against this recommendation.)

5. Eviction Notices, Residents of 400 Block East 15th Avenue

The Committee at its last meeting heard from the residents of the 400 Block East 15th Avenue who claimed they have been given notice to vacate September 30, 1974 for an expansion of Mount St. Joseph Hospital and they are unable to find similar accommodation.

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The Committee had before it for consideration a letter dated September 9, 1974 from Mr. Norman Barth, Director of Hospital Planning, Greater Vancouver Regional District, which stated properties in question should be vacated no later than October 14, 1974.

Also before the Committee for consideration was a memo dated September 9, 1974 from the Supervisor of Property and Insurance (circulated) which stated:

"It has been part of the responsibilities of the Property & Insurance Office when assembling and clearing a site for civic use, to provide whatever assistance necessary to the occupants, to obtain vacant possession.

However, I must state that this assistance has never been extended to cover private redevelopments or developments undertaken by other governmental agencies. The Property & Insurance Office itself does not have the staff to provide these services, and as far as I am aware, City Council has never provided funds for such assistance."

During discussion it was noted the City's Property and Insurance Office provided assistance to residents who were displaced by the Britannia Community Centre Project.

Following discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

THAT Council instruct the Supervisor of Property and Insurance to assist in providing new accommodation for the residents of the 400 Block East 15th Avenue who are being displaced by the expansion of Mount St. Joseph.

6. Vancouver Indian Centre Society, Grant Request \$12,879

Council in April, 1974, provided a grant of \$16,500 toward the Society's request for \$29,379. Subsequently the Society requested an additional grant of \$12,879 and Council on June 11, 1974, referred this matter to the Social Services Committee.

Representatives of the Vancouver Indian Centre Society appeared before the Committee to present information requested by Social Planning Department in support of this grant request.

A list of Staff and Salary scales totalling \$106,944 was distributed to members of the Committee along with figures showing the Counsellors' case-load for July and August, 1974, which totalled 547. The treasurer of Vancouver Indian Centre Society told the Committee the native Indian population is currently growing at two and a half times the rate of the rest of the population and that the influx of native persons to Vancouver City is increasing considerably. He explained the Centre is applying for increased grants from all three levels of Government and is seeking increased donations from other sources.

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A list of Staff and Salary scales totalling \$106,944 was distributed to members of the Committee along with figures showing the Counsellors' case-load for July and August, 1974, a total of five hundred and forty-seven. The treasurer of Vancouver Indian Centre Society told the Committee the native Indian population is currently growing at two and a half times the rate of the rest of the population and that the influx of native persons to Vancouver City is increasing considerably. He explained the Centre is applying for increased grants from all three levels of Government and is seeking increased donations from other sources.

A representative of the Social Planning Department indicated he understands the Department of Human Resources is prepared to grant \$8,400 to the Centre. He pointed out the City's total contribution is more than twice this amount for a service which he said should be the responsibility of the Province.

During discussion the Committee noted the Centre's services fall into two broad categories: Social Welfare and Community Centre services, of which the first is a Provincial responsibility.

Following discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

THAT Council grant \$12,879 to the Vancouver Indian Centre Society to cover costs to the end of this year and that the Social Planning Department discuss with appropriate Officials of the Provincial Government its funding of the counselling and social services aspect of the Vancouver Indian Centre Society.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON CIVIC DEVELOPMENT

September 12, 1974

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Civic Development was held on Thursday, September 12, 1974, in the No. 1 Committee Room, third floor, City Hall at approximately 3:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Alderman Hardwick (Chairman)
Alderman Bowers
Alderman Massey

ABSENT: Alderman Pendakur

CLERK: G. Barden

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Nelson Park Development

A letter dated September 9, 1974 from the West End Planning Team requested the Standing Committee of Council on Civic Development to restate its intentions with respect to the following recommendation of July 11, 1974 which was approved by Council on July 23, 1974:

"That City Officials be requested to process the School Board's Development Permit Application in the normal way, having regard to the density and other restrictions of the West End Guidelines; with particular emphasis on the suitability of the development for housing families with children."

The request arose because of an inquiry on the part of the School Board as to which guidelines were to be followed with respect to the development of Nelson Park - the guidelines for Nelson Park Community Facilities development or the guidelines laid down by the West End Policy Guidelines approved by Council on October 17, 1972.

A representative of the West End Planning Team advised that the guidelines for Nelson Park Community Facilities development which are presently being considered by the Urban Design Panel, the Vancouver City Planning Commission and the Technical Planning Board were drafted by them in response to the above recommendation. These guidelines are considered as preliminary and will be finalized following input from the Urban Design Panel, the Vancouver City Planning Commission, the Technical Planning Board, the Park Board and the School Board.

After further discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

THAT Council reaffirm the Committee's recommendation of July 11, 1974, and indicate to the School Board that the guidelines to be followed with respect to the Nelson Park Community Facilities development are those developed by the West End Planning Team specifically for this development.

2. Seawall Location, Phase 2, Area 6, False Creek

The Development Consultant circulated at the meeting a report dated September 10, 1974 entitled "Seawall Location, Phase 2, Area 6, False Creek", (copies circulated). The report included descriptions, cost estimates and sketches of four seawall alternatives including seawall

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location and edge treatment, prepared by Thompson, Berwick, Pratt +. Thompson, Berwick, Pratt + have concluded that any of their proposed seawall alternatives will accommodate approximately 750 dwelling units on City owned land in Phase 2 in addition to adequate neighbourhood park areas and this is in keeping with Scheme 2, Area 6, that Council adopted July 9, 1974 as a guide for development. The four alternatives were:

- "A. A bay with a small fresh water lagoon;
- B. A larger bay and no lagoon;
- C. A system of two fresh water lagoons;
- D. A channel joining a bay in Phase 2 with Area 10."

The Committee discussed the proposed marina with liveboards and the need for extra facilities such as a channel or culverts to provide flushing and cleansing. The Development Consultant pointed out that it would be desirable to carry out further studies of the proposed flushing facilities in order to confirm costs and practicality of such measures. He noted that if they were found necessary, they could be included later. The report made the following recommendations:

- "A. The bay and small lagoon alternative "A" for the shoreline treatment of Phase 2, Area 6 be approved without the culvert, subject to minor alterations by the City Engineering Department during detailed design so as to stay within the 1974-75 Winter Works budget.
- B. The Engineering Department be authorized to proceed with the dredging and the City's portion of the bay under the 1974-75 Winter Works Program.
- C. The Development Group be authorized to discuss with C.M.H.C. an early start on the shoreline treatment of the Granville Island portion of the bay.
- D. The lagoon be included as an integral part of the land development plan for Phase 2.
- E. The Development Group be requested to work with the Planning Department, the Engineering Department and the Medical Health Officer in establishing water quality standards for the intended uses in the bay and in monitoring the quality, for report back to Council in 1975 regarding water use in the bay."

Following further discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

THAT the above recommendations of the Development Consultant be approved.

INFORMATION

3. West End Zoning

The Committee had for consideration a draft Technical Planning Board report on West End Zoning submitted by the Director of Planning under date of September 9, 1974. The report reviewed the background

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and history of the proposed zoning, analysis of the proposals contained in the draft West End Zoning report which was also before the Committee this day (copy on file in the City Clerk's office). This analysis reviewed the undesirable features of the existing RM-4 zoning and criteria under which the proposed West End Zoning has been developed. The report put forward the following alternative methods of zoning controls:

- (a) "preregulation"
- (b) "discretion".

The report opted for Control (b).

The report also reviewed the recommended zoning, including a proposed development permit approval process, and contained a recommendation for a Development Permit Hearing Board which would be similar to that under consideration by the Downtown Planning Team for the downtown area, and suggested that a local planning committee comprised of residents of the area is desirable.

The Committee discussed the proposed West End Zoning with the Director of Planning and representatives of the West End Planning Team with the major portion of the discussion centering on the Development Permit Hearing Board, Urban Development Regulations and Urban Design Guidelines. It was suggested that the West End report and the Downtown Report be again considered by the Committee prior to October 15, 1974 at which time a Public Hearing date could be decided upon for the West End report in particular.

After further discussion it was

RESOLVED

THAT the Director of Legal Services report to the Committee on Charter amendments required should Council approve the Development Permit Hearing Board and the discretionary process.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:30 p.m.

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STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

September 12, 1974

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Community Development was held on Thursday, September 12, 1974 at approximately 3:30 p.m. in the No. 2 Committee Room, third floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Alderman Volrich (Chairman)
Alderman Harcourt
Alderman Marzari
Alderman Rankin

CLERK: H. Dickson

Adoption of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held August 15, 1974 were adopted.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Neighbourhood Pub Applications:

(A) Neighbourhood Pub Application - 1448 West Broadway

Mr. Ken Stauffer appeared before the Committee with respect to his application for a neighbourhood pub at 1448 West Broadway.

The amenity report indicated there is a considerable amount of commercial development in the immediate area along with two older two-storey dwellings and some low-rise apartments. There is one theatre within walking distance and no schools are located in the immediate vicinity.

During discussion the Committee noted there are four other liquor outlets within approximately one mile of this address. It was also noted the application is to convert an existing cabaret to a neighbourhood pub.

The Committee reviewed this application and after discussion with Mr. Stauffer,

RECOMMENDED

THAT the application of Mr. Stauffer for a neighbourhood pub at 1448 West Broadway be approved in principle subject to:

- (a) The City conducting a referendum of residents and merchants in a four block area surrounding 1448 West Broadway, the cost of such referendum to be borne by the applicant, Mr. Stauffer.
- (b) THAT the applicant comply with all applicable City legislation.
- (c) THAT the applicant provide the Chairman of the Community Development Committee with pictures of the proposed location which the Chairman can present to Council.

(Alderman Rankin is recorded as voting against this recommendation.)

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(B) Neighbourhood Pub - 4473 West 10th Avenue

Mr. G. J. Martin appeared before the Committee with respect to his application for a neighbourhood pub at 4473 West 10th Avenue.

The amenity report indicated the location is in a small commercial area with one or two-storey buildings, some containing living quarters on the second floor. Some three blocks away there are some multi-storey buildings and high-rises. There are four churches located within a three block area but no schools are in the immediate vicinity.

The applicant presented pictures of the proposed location, the Committee reviewed the application and following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

- (a) THAT the application of Mr. Martin for a neighbourhood pub at 4473 West 10th Avenue be approved in principle subject to the City conducting a referendum of the residents and merchants in a four block area surrounding 4473 West 10th Avenue, the cost of such referendum to be borne by the applicant, Mr. Martin.
- (b) THAT the applicant will comply with all applicable City legislation.

(C) Neighbourhood Pub - 2111 Main Street

Mr. M. Hirji, of City Centre Motor Hotel, 2111 Main Street, appeared before the Committee with respect to the hotel's application for a neighbourhood pub at 2111 Main Street.

The amenity report indicated most of the surrounding area is a mixture of commercial and light industrial operations with occasional multiple dwelling and apartment buildings. The amenity report indicated this location might be considered inappropriate for a neighbourhood pub.

During discussion it was noted there are eight licensed liquor outlets within one mile of the proposed pub location. The Committee reviewed this application and after discussion with the applicant no action was taken.

(D) Neighbourhood Pub - 4336 Dunbar Street

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Walker appeared before the Committee with respect to their application for a neighbourhood pub at 4336 Dunbar Street.

The amenity report indicated the site is a commercial area, two blocks north and south are stores, offices, service stations and one theatre. East of the location are small family dwellings, west of the site are small family dwellings and one elementary school, one convent and two churches all within two blocks of the site.

Mr. Walker presented to the Committee written comments obtained from 100 persons residing in the immediate area, of which only one objected to the proposed neighbourhood pub.

During discussion it was noted the proposed location contains 4,000 sq. feet which could attract more than the 100 persons the pub is proposed to provide seating for. The Committee reviewed the application and following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

THAT the application of Mr. and Mrs. Walker for a neighbourhood pub at 4336 Dunbar Street be approved in principle subject to:

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Clause #1 continued:

- (a) The City conducting a referendum of residents and merchants in a four block area surrounding 4336 Dunbar Street, the cost of such referendum to be borne by the applicant, Mr. and Mrs. Walker.
- (b) THAT the applicant will comply with all applicable City legislation.

(Alderman Volrich is recorded as voting against this recommendation.)

2. Urban Renewal Funds - Strathcona, Britannia, Gastown & Chinatown

Council on August 13, 1974, passed the following motion when dealing with the attached report:

"THAT recommendations 1 and 2 contained in the attached report of the Director of Planning dated August 9, 1974 be approved, and recommendations 3 and 4, together with the brief submitted by S.P.O.T.A., be referred to the Standing Committee on Community Development for further consideration and report;

FURTHER THAT the unused balance of senior government Strathcona urban renewal funds be retained to finance the City's beautification projects and not used for a recreational project which will probably qualify for a one-third Community Recreational Facilities Fund grant;

FURTHER THAT the unallocated Park Board Community Centre funds amounting to \$116,000, be utilized for the proposed extension of the Strathcona Community Centre and the method of financing the project be referred to the Director of Finance."

The Committee had before it for consideration the report dated August 9, 1974 from the Planning Department (copy circulated) and a brief dated August 13, 1974 from Strathcona Property Owners and Tenants Association (S.P.O.T.A.).

Also before the Committee for consideration was a letter dated September 11, 1974 from the Acting Chairman of the Board of Parks and Recreation advising of the Board's meeting of September 9, 1974 at which it was resolved that the unallocated Park Board Community Centre funds totalling \$116,000 be allocated in 1975 to Sunset Community Centre renovation work.

There was considerable discussion of this topic and it was pointed out that additional funds are being provided in urban renewal programs for other areas under new criteria established since the Strathcona program, one of the first in Canada, was negotiated.

It was also noted that the Ray-Cam Community Centre has yet to be built and this will be a major expense.

The extension to the Strathcona Community Centre is expected to cost an estimated \$250,000 and the \$116,000 appears to be the only available source of funds. The Comptroller of Accounts reported that of the City's funds for the rehabilitation program, \$12,000 remains unallocated. Of the \$232,000 City share for urban renewal, \$150,000 was spent leaving a balance of \$82,000 of which \$70,000 was directed to the Gastown Beautification Program, leaving the \$12,000.

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The City's one-quarter share of the \$250,000 estimated cost of the Strathcona Community Centre's addition would be \$61,500 and with only \$12,000 available, \$49,500 must be found to meet the City's share.

Following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED THAT

- (A) The Director of Finance and the Director of Planning along with other appropriate City Officials study the Strathcona Urban Renewal Program and report back to the Community Development Committee on how provision can be made for an extension to the Strathcona Community Centre costing \$250,000 with the City's share to be no more than one-quarter of the total cost.
 - (B) The balance of funds allocated for the Strathcona Urban Renewal Program not be diverted to other projects.
 - (C) The City liase with S.P.O.T.A. in determining final urban renewal program expenditures in the Strathcona area.
- (Alderman Volrich is recorded as voting against Recommendation (C).)

INFORMATION

3. Kitsilano Area Planning Program - Progress Report

The Committee had before it for consideration a report, dated September 12, 1974, (copy circulated) from the Planning Department providing information on the Kitsilano Area Planning Program which will lead to preparation of a draft Zoning By-law for the area by January 21, 1975.

Following discussion it was

RESOLVED

THAT Progress Report No. 1 on the Kitsilano Area Planning Program, dated September 12, 1974, be received for information.

4. Champlain Heights, Areas E and F, Progress Report

The Committee had before it for consideration a memo dated September 12, 1974 from R. R. Youngberg, Associate Director, Area Planning, which advised that a detailed plan and implementation guidelines for Areas E and F in Champlain Heights has been submitted by the consultants and presented to the Champlain Heights Planning Advisory Committee. Copies of the plan were distributed to Committee members.

Following discussion it was

RESOLVED

THAT the following steps should be undertaken:

- (a) Circulate the plan to relevant City departments and the Technical Planning Board for their analysis and comments.
- (b) Discuss the various comments on the plan with the Champlain Heights Planning Advisory Committee.

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- (c) Submit all comments on the plan, plus recommendations from the Champlain Heights Planning Advisory Committee and the Planning Department regarding amendments to the plan, to a special evening meeting of the Community Development Committee.
- (d) Following the Community Development Committee's decision on the plan, the required modifications to the plan be undertaken.

5. Neighbourhood Pub Application - 961 Denman Street

Mr. Tom Hammond, applicant for a neighbourhood pub at 961 Denman Street appeared before the Committee and filed results of a public opinion poll taken in the area and photographs of the building along with a letter from Imperial Parking.

It was

RESOLVED

THAT the submissions of Mr. Hammond be received.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:05 p.m.

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STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON HOUSING

September 17, 1974

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Housing was held in the No. 1 Committee Room, Third Floor, City Hall, on Tuesday, September 17, 1974, at 10:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Alderman Harcourt (Chairman)
Alderman Massey

ABSENT: Alderman Rankin } Civic Business
Alderman Volrich }

CLERK: R. Demofsky

A quorum not being present, the following is submitted to Council for CONSIDERATION.

CONSIDERATION:

1. Rental Accommodation

Submitted for the Committee's consideration was a letter from Mr. B. Wosk, President, Wosk's Limited, dated August 2, 1974. The letter stated in part:

"As per our discussion, we will be ready to begin renting our 49 suite apartment at 950 Jervis, as soon as the elevator has passed the inspection, which we expect will be within a week or ten days. With the co-operation of City Council, if we get the approval for the extension of the Plaza 500, there will be another over 50 suites available for renting purposes.

We have preliminary plans to build over 700 rental suites in the City of Vancouver, and we get the co-operation of City Hall we will be able to do our part to some extent to eliminate the shortage in rental accommodation."

RECOMMENDED,

THAT the letter from Mr. B. Wosk dated August 2, 1974, regarding rental accommodation be received.

2. United Housing Foundation - Acquisition of Property in Champlain Heights

Submitted for the Committee's consideration was a letter from the United Housing Foundation dated September 9, 1974, regarding Champlain Heights. The letter stated in part that:

"I would like to have you consider and inform me how best we may make application for at least a further 10 acres in the Champlain Heights area for an additional co-operative housing development."

RECOMMENDED,

THAT this letter be referred to appropriate City Officials for report back to the Housing Committee as soon as possible.

3. Lodging House By-law Amendment

Submitted for the Committee's consideration was a report from the Law Department recommending amendments to the present Lodging House By-law. The Director of Environmental Health advised that these amendments would allow for more effective enforcement of this By-law.

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Also submitted was a report from the Health Department dated September 12, 1974, which stated in part:

"Although it is important that apartment buildings be included for other provisions of the Lodging House By-law, it seems preferable to exempt apartment buildings from the requirement of an Operator's Permit.

I would, therefore, recommend that a fifth clause be added to Section 18 of the Lodging House By-law to effect the living dwellings which are exclusively comprised of self-contained dwelling units be exempt from the requirement of an Operator's Permit."

RECOMMENDED,

- a. THAT the Lodging House By-law amendments as recommended by the Law and Health Departments be approved in principle, and that the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the appropriate by-law amendment.
- b. THAT the Medical Health Officer report back, as soon as possible, on Operator's Permits issued to date.

4. Room Closure at 227 Carrall Street

At a meeting of the Housing Committee on August 14, 1974, when dealing with the Lodging House By-law appeal of Mr. V. Kinklies, it was recommended:

"That the Medical Health Officer reconsider his order to close the four rooms which could be provided with natural ventilation, and report back to this Committee as soon as possible."

Submitted for the Committee's consideration was a report from the Health Department dated September 13, 1974, which stated in part:

"A reinspection of the four inside rooms on the second floor of the Fraser Hotel, 227 Carrall Street, to assess their suitability for human habitation confirm our previous opinion that they are not provided with adequate natural ventilation.

If these rooms are to be provided as living accommodation, natural ventilation will be required by means of sky-lights in each room."

RECOMMENDED,

- a. THAT the report from the Health Department dated September 13, 1974, regarding room closure at the Fraser Hotel, 227 Carrall Street, be received.
- b. THAT the Director of Environmental Health meet with Mr. V. Kinklies, and the owner of the Fraser Hotel to determine whether sky-lights could be installed in each of the four rooms.

5. Fire By-law Appeals

a. Arniston Apartments Ltd. - 2015 Haro Street

Submitted for the Committee's consideration was a letter from the President of Arniston Apartments Ltd. dated August 4, 1974, regarding Fire By-law No. 2193. Also submitted was a report from the Fire Department dated August 21, 1974, on the above noted premise. (This letter and report are on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

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A representative of Arniston Apartments Ltd. advised the Committee that their biggest concern was enclosing the front stairs. However, they were willing to install hard core doors.

RECOMMENDED,

THAT representatives of Arniston Apartments Ltd. meet with representatives of the Fire Department to discuss how best to bring this building up to Fire By-law standards, and the costs involved, and report back to this Committee as soon as possible.

Mr. J. Bartlett of the Apartment Tenant Owners Association presented a brief outlining excerpts from the Vancouver Fire By-law No. 2193.

RECOMMENDED,

THAT the brief submitted by Mr. Bartlett on the Vancouver Fire By-law, dated August 13, 1974, be referred to the Fire Chief for discussion with Mr. Bartlett and report back to this Committee.

b. Charles Apartments, 5774 Vine Street

Submitted for the Committee's consideration was a letter from Ms. Irene Makator and Mr. A. Kursik, dated July 2, 1974, regarding the Fire By-law No. 2193, a petition by several tenants of this premise, and a report from the Fire Department dated August 2, 1974, on the above noted building, stating that the suite doors needed to be changed to solid core doors, and the doors on the enclosed stairways be changed from hollow core doors to approved fire doors. (These reports are on file in the City Clerk's Office.)

RECOMMENDED,

THAT representatives of the Fire Department meet with the owners of Charles Apartments, 5774 Vine Street, to discuss how best to bring this premise up to Fire By-law standards.

c. Yee Fung Toy Society, 224½ East Georgia Street

Submitted for the Committee's consideration was a letter from Mr. W. A. Street, the solicitor for the above noted society dated August 6, 1974, regarding the premise at 224½ East Georgia Street. Also submitted was a report from the Fire Department dated August 26, 1974, and a report dated April 18, 1974, recommending the installation of a sprinkler system, and the provision of a fire separation door between the two buildings at the main floor.

RECOMMENDED,

THAT Mr. Street meet with representatives of the Fire Department to determine how best to bring the premise at 224½ East Georgia Street up to required Fire By-law standards.

d. Mr. B. Vileita, Station Hotel, 1012 Main Street

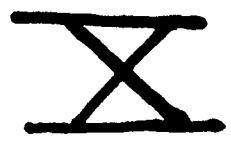
Submitted for the Committee's consideration was a letter from Mr. Vileita, dated August 29, 1974. Also submitted was a report from the Fire Department recommending that the owner of the Station Hotel install a sprinkler system.

RECOMMENDED,

THAT no action be taken on this matter at this time.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:25 p.m.

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STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON HOUSING

An 'In Camera' meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Housing was held in the No. 2 Committee Room, Third Floor, City Hall, on Tuesday, September 17, 1974, at 10:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Alderman Harcourt (Chairman)
Alderman Massey

ABSENT: Alderman Volrich } U.B.C.M. Conference
Alderman Rankin }

CLERK: R. Demofsky

No quorum being present the following is submitted to Council for CONSIDERATION.

INFORMATION:

1. Reimbursement for Professional Services -
Jonathan Yardley

Submitted for the Committee's consideration was a letter from Mr. Jonathan Yardley, dated August 1, 1974, requesting reimbursement for professional services with regards to inspecting and preparing a report to the City of Vancouver on the Ford, State and Palms hotels.

Total amount of reimbursement requested was \$187.50.

RESOLVED,

THAT Mr. Yardley be reimbursed the amount of \$187.50 for professional services rendered to the City of Vancouver,

The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:30 p.m.

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STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON WATERFRONT AND ENVIRONMENT

September 19, 1974

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Waterfront and Environment was held on Thursday, September 19, 1974 at approximately 3:30 p.m. in the No. 1 Committee Room, third floor, City Hall.

<u>PRESENT:</u>	Alderman Pendakur (Chairman) Alderman Gibson Alderman Massey Commissioner DuMoulin
<u>ABSENT:</u>	Alderman Linnell (Civic Business)
<u>CLERK:</u>	M. Cross

RECOMMENDATION1. Amendments to Draft Sign By-law

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Planning dated September 17, 1974 and attached addendum to the Sign By-law containing changes to the By-law which will be considered at a public hearing on September 26, 1974.

Mr. D. M. Hickley, Assistant Director of Civic Development, outlined the proposed changes and distributed to the Committee a further page of amendments. The critical change was in the Special Approval section pertaining to special approval of signs located in special areas established by Council.

Mr. R. C. Boyes, Deputy City Engineer, outlined some of the concerns of the Engineering Department with respect to the proposed Sign By-law. Mr. Boyes stated that guidelines should be established whereby the Administrator shall not approve signs in special areas without consultation with the Director of Planning, the City Engineer and other appropriate City Departments.

The Committee expressed interest in determining the details of bench advertising.

RECOMMENDED

- A. THAT the question of bench advertising be further considered by the Standing Committee of Council on Waterfront and Environment.
- B, THAT Special Approval, Section 7(3) be amended to read as follows:
 - "(3) Special approval may be given by Council for a sign located in a Special Area established by Council (i.e. Gastown, Chinatown and the Granville Mall) which would exceed the limitations specified for that Special Area but which would contribute significantly to the character of the area, after consultation with the relevant special committee and/or Board for the particular area established by Council."

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Clause #1 continued:

- C. THAT the existing addendum presently attached to the Draft Sign By-law be replaced by the revised addendum entitled "Revised, September, 1974".
- D. THAT the revised addendum be referred to a Public Hearing on September 26, 1974.
- E. THAT the third reading of the Draft Sign By-law be deferred until the final printed By-law has been brought forward by the Director of Planning and the Director of Legal Services.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:30 p.m.

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

VANCOUVER HERITAGE ADVISORY BOARD

September 23, 1974

A meeting of the Vancouver Heritage Advisory Board was held in Committee Room #2, 3rd Floor, City Hall at 4:00 p.m., Monday, September 23, 1974.

PRESENT: R. Harris (Acting Chairman)
B. Downs
R. Thompson
H. Kalman
M. Seelig
A. Rogatnick

ALSO

PRESENT: N. Oliver, Planning Department

ABSENT: M. Gropper
F. Grant
J. Raybould
Ald. G. Massey

SECRETARY: H. Dickson

RECOMMENDATION

1. Funding for Board Member to attend Meeting in Portland, Oregon

The Board had before it for consideration, a letter dated September 18, 1974, from Board member Harold Kalman, requesting that the City contribute \$190.00 toward the cost of his attending the annual meeting of the National Trust for Historic Preservation in Portland, Oregon, October 3rd - 6th. He would attend as an official representative of the Vancouver Heritage Advisory Board.

The Board felt it would be worthwhile for one of its members to attend this event and learn more about the techniques of historic preservation.

Following discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED that City Council grant \$190.00 toward the cost of Board member Harold Kalman attending the annual meeting of the National Trust for Historic Preservation in Portland, Oregon, October 3rd - 6th, 1974.

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